

Hadley, Morris

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FIFTEEN BROAD STREET
NEW YORK

May 2, 1944.

Dear Dr. Speer:

It was like old times to hear you preach, and to have a talk with you and Mrs. Speer after the service. It will come as no surprise to you that the girls were all enthusiastic about your sermon; Katherine assured them that the same was true at Vassar in her day, and I bore testimony to the way we felt about you at Yale.

When I telephoned Winthrop Dwight, he told me that he did have your letter and that he had been meaning to answer it. He promises to write you, to tell you that the story strikes him as probably true, but that he has been unable to verify it.

With best wishes from Katherine and myself,

Sincerely yours,

Morris Hadley

Dr. Robert E. Speer,
Lakeville,
Connecticut.



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Dr. Robert E. Speer,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York 10, New York.

My dear Dr. Speer,

So often I have recalled so vividly your winsome, fine address at Montreat, North Carolina, during the Foreign Mission Conference last year, at the close of which Dr. Egbert W. Smith and I spoke to you. I shall not soon forget that occasion. I hope that you have been well during these months.

Perhaps you have already heard, but I am sending this note also, that you may know that our friend, Dr. Egbert Smith went Home to God at eight o'clock in the evening of August 25th in the hospital in Greensboro, North Carolina, the home of his childhood. Dr. Smith had been in Montreat resting for several weeks, and was his usual bright self, only as he laughingly said, "He was suffering from antiquity" (82½ years). He left Montreat with his brother, Dr. Henry Louis and his wife in their car, to spend several weeks with them in Greensboro. He was very tired and Mrs. Henry Louis Smith insisted that he go to the hospital just to rest. Dr. Henry Louis had just left Dr. Egbert on Friday having been in the hospital and chatted with him for quite some time. He seemed better, brighter and stronger than for sometime. Dr. Smith left the hospital in the early evening and as he was going from the building Dr. Egbert's son, Egbert, Jr., came in. Dr. Egbert told Egbert that he had a pain, rather uncomfortable, around his heart and asked Egbert to give him one of his pills from the table. Egbert turned around to get the medicine and as he did so Dr. Egbert gave a gasp and slipped away. Funeral services and burial were in Greensboro Sunday at 4 P. M.

We shall miss him sadly and yet we can but rejoice that he went Home to Heaven just as he wanted to go. He had just finished another book, which is now in manuscript form. We shall miss his presence, his brilliant, keen mind, his wholesome sense of humor, his encouragement and help and advice and his reverent, humble, beautiful prayers. A great man he was and he will be missed by a great many people.

With best wishes for you always,

Sincerely,

Mildred Hager -

*to be with
our Saviour*

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August 29, 1944

Dr. Robert E. Speer
Lakeville, Conn.

Dear Doctor Speer:

The 156th General Assembly requested "the Department of Social Education and Action of the Board of Christian Education to undertake, if the way be clear, on behalf of the entire Church, a campaign of education for world order, coopting as needed, members of other boards and agencies and of the church at large." The General Assembly likewise affirmed that such a campaign should orient its thinking "in keeping with the spirit of the findings of the Special Committee on a Righteous Peace, and the 'Statement of Political Propositions' (Six Pillars of Peace) of the Commission on a Just and Durable Peace of the Federal Council of Churches as adopted by the 155th General Assembly, and with the spirit of the report of the Standing Committee on Social Education and Action of this General Assembly."

To implement this action, a meeting was held in July attended by representatives from the Boards of National Missions, Foreign Missions and Christian Education, and from the National Council of Presbyterian Women. There was unanimous agreement on the following: That there should be set up and promoted such a campaign. undertaken throughout with a sense of urgency in recognition of the immediacy of the need. That such an effort should be not of a single Board, but of the agencies of the Church. That this united effort should seek to enhance the contribution of the two million members of the Presbyterian Church in the total impact of this nation for an enduring peace based upon Christian principles.

To effectuate this purpose, there was further agreement as follows: That there should be set up a General or Sponsoring Committee to be representative of the strength of the concern of the entire Church in the theme of the campaign. That the campaign should be under the general supervision of an Executive Committee representative of the several agencies involved. That administrative responsibility should be assumed by the Department of Social Education and Action, and that the Board of Christian Education should be asked to release the Director of the Department from his other duties so that he might give full time to this united effort.

The program elements are in process of daily elaboration and clarification, but the following are outstanding. One is the observance of November 12 as World Order Sunday, for which appropriate materials will be sent to all church leaders. The second item looks toward a series of some fifty one-day conferences in as many communities across the country. In the third place, we contemplate a four-week period of study just prior to Lent undertaken by each local church, both as a whole and in its several groups. Materials for this local church study will be provided by the Campaign. There are other plans that look to both the presbyteries and the local churches after Easter, with perhaps some appropriate climax at General Assembly.

The General or Sponsoring Committee is now in process of formation and it is our hope that you will accept membership on it. It is not expected that this committee will meet. The counsel of its members will be sought through correspondence, or where possible through personal interview. By this indication of your own personal concern in this the effort of our Church to more adequately prepare ourselves for Christian leadership in the issues and problems that follow upon military victory, you will be giving help and support which is so indispensable for what is planned.

I enclose a self-addressed post card on which I trust we may have your acceptance.

With warm personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Cameron P. Hall

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Hall, Francis M.

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L. K. Graham, Mgr.

ONE OF CLEVELAND'S FINEST SEMI-RESIDENTIAL HOTELS
CLEVELAND, OHIO

30 March 1944

My dear Dr. Speer -

Here are Thomas Guthrie's lines, that I mentioned to you. I understood you would not be home for sometime, so have been slow sending them.

You are no doubt familiar with Canon Streeter's views on "The Life of the World to Come," in the volume entitled "Immortality" which he and others published. I think this volume is very suggestive, much more so, I found it, than Prof. John Baillie's. Prof. Hocking's little book on "Thoughts on Life and Death," sounds new depths, as would be expected.

Your preaching here last week, as usual, perhaps even more than usual, made a profound impression, resulting, I am sure, in lasting and far reaching genuine good. As I mentioned to you, I hope you will keep on proclaiming your Gospel, as Paul would say, to our distraught generation up to the full limit of your strength.

The outlook for the Great Cause seems to me to be far from encouraging; or perhaps I should say those who have come to the Kingdom for such a time as this appear to be failing to meet their responsibility! I have not been able to discern, even in the best preaching of the time, any adequate response to the chastening that is being visited upon us! Of course the true Church will survive, and we can-we must-still labor and pray!

With all good wishes and prayer,
I remain always

Very sincerely yours,

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Francis M. Hall

Hamilton, J.W.

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IIII South Boulevard,

Charlotte, N.C.

August 21, 1944.

Dear Dr. Speer:

May I ask that you give this letter some consideration from the standpoint of the average clergyman? You know that many thousands of our churches are closed on Sunday evenings; that other many thousands have a handful of the faithful to face a discouraged preacher.

I advocate that the Bible be taught from the pulpit on Sunday evenings in such churches, by the pastor, in place of the present sermon where that sermon fails to draw a proper congregation.

In my correspondence I have found that there are two classes of clergymen interested in the idea; those who are doing it and want more light; and those who are interested when they hear of the plan. The church might well cater to those classes and aid them by every means in its power.

I ask that you consider the matter, talk it over with some other open minded clergymen; and some similar type laymen and see if something cannot be done to have the Bible taught in this way. Plans and promise of support can be spread through church papers.

I hope there is enough in this letter to justify your replying to it and really doing something to aid these men who wish to teach the Bible in the way suggested.

Faithfully yours,

J.W. Hamilton
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Hamilton, J.W.

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1111 South Boulevard:

Charlotte, N.C.

August 30, 1944.

Dr. Robert E. Speer,

Lakeville, Conn.

Empty Churches Sunday Evenings saved by
Sunday Evening Bible Teaching.

Dear Dr. Speer:

You say in your letter of August 27th, "I believe with you that in many places it might be saved in the way you suggest."

In my letter to you of August 21st, I say, "I hope there is enough in this letter to justify your....really doing something to aid these men who wish to teach the Bible in the way suggested."

I cannot do anything more about it than I have. You are busy, I know, but you are one of the outstanding figures in the Church. If you refuse to aid the plan, it must drop. Dare the Church permit this? Is there not some open minded committee to which the idea can be referred?

Let me quote a paragraph from the letter of an earnest Presbyterian clergyman in Virginia:

"There is a dearth of knowledge among the Churches of even the most elementary of Biblical truths. This thing mystifies me; for it is an awful indictment of a lot of our Sunday School work. It is peculiar ~~this~~ that people can sit for years under the teaching ministry of a preacher or a S.S. teacher, and yet not know what it is all about. Can it be that Satan is blinding the eyes of even believers in these days"?

His query is common. Is there such a thing as a shorter and longer doctrinal catechism, one which will state the case definitely and briefly, and then quote sufficient references in full from the Bible, remembering that many readers do not know how to find many of the books in the Bible quickly, and that many cannot keep in mind a dozen verses they have looked up laboriously?

Make it easy to read and to understand and such a book will be used widely.

May I hear from you again?

Faithfully yours,

J. W. Hamilton

Hamilton, J.W.

IIII South Boulevard,

Charlotte, N.C.

September 5, 44

Dear Dr. Speer:

It was good of you to write me a two page letter in long hand; thank you; no reply to this is necessary.

I began this plan for Sunday Evening Bible teaching some 25 years ago. Church papers referred to it; some 200 replies reached me from interested clergymen. Nothing came from my efforts to arouse the Church as an organization; no use for me to do this all over again. Have written to men whose Sunday sermons are reviewed in the Monday N.Y. Times, often not even a reply, as well as to scores of leaders thinking they might exert themselves, useless.

There must be some committee in the Federal Council whose duties are to consider suggestions; to study ways and means, spread the news in church papers, then clergymen interested will know where to turn.

I can make no demonstration; I am not a Bible student; cannot preach.

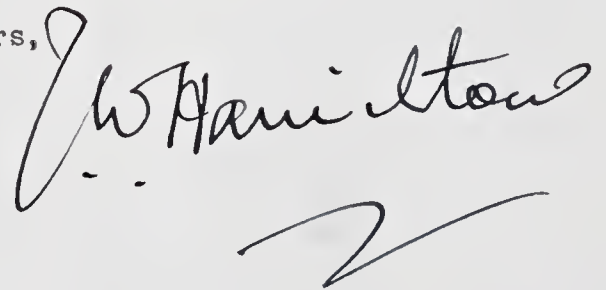
"But it is clear as day that the ~~Bible~~ people are not getting the Bible adequately"

Clear to thousands of earnest men but my plan will not function unless leaders will act.

"Can it be that Satan is blinding the eyes of even believers in these days?" It is not so much that he blinds them as that he insists upon their busyiness, and that is no reflection upon Robert E. Speer, whom I pray God may continue to bless.

Faithfully yours,

P.S. I am just a gambler, always hoping to turn up the right card; I mean, arouse the right clergyman.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "J.W. Hamilton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. Below the main signature, there is a large, stylized flourish or checkmark-like mark.

Hamilton, J. W.

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IIII South Boulevard,

Charlotte, N.C.

October 4, 1944.

Dr. Robert E. Speer,

Rockledge,

Lakeville, Conn.

Dear Dr. Speer:

I must apologize for my neglect to acknowledge the material you kindly sent me a month ago, and for which I most sincerely thank you. I immediately wrote Dr. Bopple and am following his directions; have distributed many of his cards, etc.

There is nothing more I can do with respect to the Clergy teaching the Bible from the pulpit on Sunday evening in place of the usual sermon. But it is quite beyond me to understand why the Church as an organization will not appoint a committee to consider such a plan, working out the detail and, through church papers, advise the Clergy about the movement and how to go about it.

If there is no committee to consider new ideas, it would seem that there would be room for one.

The Church says in effect:

" We do not approve of a plan to encourage the Clergy to teach the Bible from the pulpit on Sunday evening in place of the usual preaching service; we prefer to have thousands of churches remain closed on Sunday evening, and thousands more to remain in a moribund condition.

As for 1st Peter, 4:17, we should worry."

And yet I have a letter from a very far distant Minister who has through proper officials arranged for the very thing I have been pleading for in this country for 20 years.

Who will wake us up? I wonder!

Faithfully yours,

J. W. Hamilton

IIII South Boulevard,

Charlotte, N.C.

Oct. 3.
Sept. 5, 1944.

Dear Dr. Speer:

My query about a catechism was not clear. I was brought up on the Shorter Catechism, though it has largely passed from my memory. *But*

How many church members know the difference between

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| 1 | Pre and Post Millennial? -- | <u>Can quickly and clearly explain</u> |
| 2 | What is the Church? | <i>5 The Day of the Lord</i> |
| 3 | What is the Body of Christ, | <i>6 The Day of God</i> |
| 4 | What is the Great Mystery, and quote references? | <i>7 The Day of Judgment</i> |

I again quote that Presbyterian Clergyman in Virginia:

"There is a dearth of knowledge among the Churches of even the most elementary of Biblical truths. This thing mystifies me; for it is an awful indictment of a lot of our Sunday School work. It is peculiar that people can sit for years under the teaching (teaching?) ministry of a preacher or a S.S. teacher and yet not know what it is all about. Can it be that Satan is blinding the eyes of even believers in these days?"

Dr. E. W. Bullinger in his Companion Bible says many things upon which I need light through a short "Doctrinal Catechism".

I. Cor: 5, 5. He speaks of "the day of resurrection when the spirit which returns to God at death is restored". I would like verses to verify this. At death do we remain asleep for hundreds of years as our bodies are asleep at night, or does our spirit enter at once into the presence of God?

This would seem to be a vital subject, and references to verses in full would appeal to countless Christians.

His comments on I Cor, 15:40, "as the resurrection is still future" etc. Does that mean the same thing as the fore-going, that the body remains in the grave, while the spirit enters Heaven?

I am writing knowing my ignorance of the whole matter. May be a book could not cover all this. I know there a score thousand books on the Bible.

It must be borne in mind that millions of Christians do not know how to quickly find some books; and that they cannot quickly look up and keep in mind just text references. But explain in 30 lines or a page, and then support explanation with principal verses, 10 or 20, and then any man can read and reread and absorb and understand. Make it easy for people to read and prove their reading and will not people en masse get the Bible more adequately than at present?

I copy from Dr. Bullinger's notes on Ephesians.

"In Romans is set forth all the truth concerning the standing of the sinner in ~~Ch~~rist as ~~him~~ having died and risen with Him. Now we are taken a further stage and ~~X~~ taught that the sinner not only died and rose again in Christ but that he is now in God's sight and purpose situated with Christ in the heavenlies."

When I read such a statement from such a man I would like to be able to turn to a book approved by the Church, wherein this statement is made clear with the supporting verses. With that information I can build up a knowledge that is sound.

In the plenitude of my ignorance, all this may be impractical and that a man to know this would have to have a whole library.

Forgive my troubling you in this way.

Faithfully yours,

J. W. Hamilton

Hanson, Harry W.

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MEDFORD, OREGON

Dec. 9, 1946.

Mr. Robert E. Speer
Lakerville, Conn.

Dear Dr. Speer:-

I am still feasting on the good things of the Spirit that you gave us at the Fellowship Meetings in Berkeley last month. It was a very pleasant and profitable few days.

I shall be very happy to have you send me copies of the quotations you used in your messages there whenever you get them mimeographed, & will be very glad to know the cost so that I may reimburse you.

With the warmest respects
Sincerely,
Harry Hansen

Harding, Grace E.

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GRACE E. HARDING, SALISBURY

July 6th, 1944.

Dear Mr. Speer:-

The title to the McArthur property according to the records is in the names of Joseph & Mary Mc Arthur.

They purchased it in 1936, from Edith M. Stone, Vol. 49, page 522, by Warrantee deed. Purchase price, \$840.00, Mtg. 640. which was released in 1939.

So far as the McArthurs are concerned, there have been no incumbrances since their purchase, as of record, but I could not guarantee you a clear title, as that is the business for a lawyer, and is out of our line of work.

Yours very truly,

Grace E. Harding
Town Clerk.

Harper, R. M.

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University, Ala.,

July 9, 1945.

Rev. Robert E. Speer,

Lakeville, Conn.,

Dear Sir:-

Something over thirty years ago I saw in a geographical magazine a brief review of a book you had written on moral conditions in South America, or something to that effect. It interested me only casually at the time, but in recent years, since I have been making studies of ^{the} population and moral conditions of many countries, it appealed to me more. And after some search I found the review again, a year or so ago.

Still more recently I have come across your address in "Who's Who in America," and I thought I would send you a few of my publications in the lines above indicated. Some of them are enclosed, and I can send you some bulkier ones if you are interested.

Respectfully,

R. M. Harper.

R. M. Harper.

Harper, R. M.

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University, Ala.,

July 23, 1945.

Rev. Robert E. Speer,
Lakeville, Conn.,

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of the ~~21st~~ 17th inst. was duly received.

I do not know whether you ever saw that review of your book on South America that I wrote you about. So I have just made some copies of it, for my files and to send to a few interested persons, and will enclose the best one for you. Even if you already have the magazine, you might like to fold this into a copy of the book. The author of the review, Prof. Jefferson, is a few years older than you, and spent a few years in South America in his younger days. I have known him for thirty or forty years. He is a man of high moral principles (with a large family), and therefore saw some things in your book that a cynic would not have appreciated.

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I was especially interested in the statement about male chastity, which you quoted from Hale. What Hale was that, and what book? Did Edward Everett Hale ever write anything about South America? (I heard him preach once, in Boston in 1906.) That seems a rather sweeping statement, for there must be a few exceptions, among Protestant missionaries and teachers at least. But it is reasonably consistent with what I can read between the lines of other books on South America. However, I do not quite understand Prof. Jefferson's comment in the next line. It looks as if he might have meant it to apply to the whole world; but he is certainly not such a cynic as that.

The best books about South America that I have seen lately are by Harry A. Franck. He visited that continent first about 1915,

when he was single, and walked alone through some pretty difficult territory, and again about 25 years later, with his wife and youngest son, when he traveled a good deal by airplane. He wrote two books about his first trip and one about his last. He is a very keen observer, and although he admits being a smoker himself, he was rather disgusted at some of the moral conditions he found.

One of the professors here visited South America a few years before Franck's last trip, and wrote a book about it, "South by Thunderbird," He traveled in style, mostly by airplane, with as few hardships as possible, and stopped mostly in cities. He is a cigarette fiend, and therefore saw ^{little or} nothing wrong with moral conditions.

An interesting observation in Franck's last book, "Re-discovering South America," is that Chile had too many churches and Argentina too few. Did you notice anything like that?

You say that South America has made great progress educationally and economically since you were there. That may be true, but I have not heard of any improvement in morals or capacity for self-government; and I imagine matters have gotten worse in those respects, as in the United States. Instead of setting the South Americans a good example by our "good neighbor" policy, we seem to be imitating some of their worst features. I am having an article reprinted now that bears on this a little, and can send it to you later.

Lately I have been amusing myself digging out some statistics of smokers and non-smokers in "Who's Who," and tabulating their age at marriage and number of sons and daughters, and longevity of those who have died. It is not easy to get information about those I do

personally,
not know, but newspaper items often give good clues, and I have collected about 300 cases. (We seem to have a non-smoking president now for the first time since Wilson, but he does not seem to have done much yet to combat the prevailing cynicism and demoralization. But I believe I did read the other day that he refused to fish on Sunday.) I suppose I can safely count you among the non-smokers?

You might be interested to know that on Sept. 15, 1921, when I was living in New York, ~~I was in the city at that time~~ I walked from Canaan to Millerton, while on a little tour of botanical exploration in western Connecticut and the Hudson Valley. I must have passed pretty close to your place, but you may not have been there then.

Respectfully,

R. M. Harper.
R. M. Harper.

Harper, R. M.

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University, Ala.,

April 1, 1947.

Rev. Robert E. Speer,

Lakeville, Conn.,

Dear Sir:-

Since I wrote to you last November (which letter you acknowledged), I have come across a few more items that should interest you.

Last month I was going through some of my 1924 clippings, and I found one from from the Watchman-Examiner, (a Baptist paper from Philadelphia) of July 21, 1924. (I have no idea now of how I got hold of it.) It was an article by you on "The question of race superiority," said to have been abridged from a chapter in your latest book. You did not come out very strongly against race prejudice, but seemed to deprecate it. Race prejudice may be wrong theoretically, but a certain amount of it seems to be a practical necessity. For example, if race prejudice could be completely eliminated in the United States, and whites and negroes intermarried freely, we would have a mongrel civilization something like that of Brazil, whose low moral standards you are well aware of.

Just a few days ago I came across something that throws an interesting side-light on Latin-American morals. It is a recent book, "Who's Who in Latin America," whose author I do not recall just now, but the book is in the University library, and I intend to consult it again before long. After a more or less exhaustive search, the author was able to dig up only about 1,600 persons worth mentioning in all of Latin America. That is only about one-tenth as many in proportion to population as are shown for the United States in "Who's Who in America." No doubt the count is somewhat incomplete, for the first edition of our "Who's Who" had only about one-fourth as many names as the last edition. But making a liberal allowance for that, Latin America is evidently far behind us in producing noted persons.

One probable reason for this, that I can surmise but cannot prove, is that people who produce useful children have to have pretty high moral standards. That is one reason why the New England states outrank all others in the production of "Who's Who" people. The early Puritans were noted for their probity, etc. And although their descendants have deteriorated somewhat, and are now outnumbered locally by quite different population groups, (who have to have their liquor, etc.), New England has not quite lost its intellectual leadership yet, though it may before long.

And as you of course know, a very large proportion of "Who's Who" people are sons of clergymen, doubtless for the same reason.

Reverting briefly to the subject of race prejudice, it does not seem possible to eradicate it by exhortation, any more than you can persuade cats and dogs to like each other. Exhortation has been tried for a long time, but it seems to have accomplished only local and temporary results, just as a cat and dog raised in the same household may be friends, but still hostile to those in other households.

An article in the January number of the Geographical Review, about Liberia, reveals an interesting situation. The dominant class there, as you know, is descended from slaves brought back from the United States over 100 years ago. And they are said to look down on the aborigines, who outnumber them about 100 to 1, and deny them political privileges, just as whites used to do negroes here in the South. And there does not seem to be any race question involved, unless the repatriate group has just enough white blood to give them a spark of ambition that the blacks do not have.

I will enclose a few more copies of newspaper items, one of which refers specifically to you. (The author is a Presbyterian minister.)

Respectfully,

R. H. Harper.

Harris, Marie L.

Apt. 5-H, 345 West 88th St.,

New York 24, N. Y.

March 1, 1946

W³,

Rev. Dr. Robert E. Speer:

Presbyterian Headquarters
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Speer:

In an article by you entitled "The Unique Book" in the March 1st issue of Bible Society Record, I find the following sentence: "Christ is the greatest figure and influence in history, and the whole issue in life and literature turns upon men's attitude to Him. The best sellers in contemporary fiction written by women are sufficient evidence of this in their candid putrescence and frank contempt for the ideals of Christ."

Would you be so kind as to clarify this statement? Why do you confine it to fiction by women only - and to just what modern best sellers by

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~~By~~ what women authors do you refer?

Do you consider a novel such as "The Robe" a real contribution to Christian faith — when it takes all kinds of liberties with the

Scriptural account of Jesus' crucifixion merely to accommodate the rather far-fetched story; and with its attempts to "rationalize" the miracles of Jesus, and its utter lack of reverence in many of its allusions to Biblical situations beloved by many readers of the New Testament? It is also guilty of racial ~~jibes~~ jibes & refers in a derogating way to the mother of Our Lord. I happen to know that the author was, ^{known as} a radical modernist ^{Christian} who publicly repudiated the Articles of Faith in the pulpit (for I heard him do so) — and to me, such pale-pink atheists seem far more dangerous to the faith today than the out-and-out enemies of Christ, both through their speech and their written works. So why do you discriminate against women ^{writers}, especially? I would greatly appreciate cases in point. Thanking you, Sincerely, (Mrs.) Marie L. Harris

The Evil that men do lives after them
The Good is oft interred with their bones
Shakespeare's - Julius Caesar
Let's Give Priorities to War Widows and Orphans!
Harshaw, Roy
U.S.V.F. #42
Perry Point, Md
Sept. 5, 1944
New Deal Age

From : Ray Harshaw (Patient 12 Ward) - Honorary Member
of the Del Mar Va. Native Sons and Daughters - from 1924

To : Rev. Dr. Robert Speer, Secretary Emeritus,
Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions

Subject : Presbyterian Unifications in the 14
Divisions in the New World.

Dear Friend,

I am sending you the Compliments of
Rev. Dr. Willard G. Purdy, Past and Central Presbyterian
Church of Wilmington, Delaware, to Carry On,
during World War II, for Unifications of our
Presbyterian Churches in North and South America
and the Caribbean areas.

II As a lifelong Presbyterian of Irish descendants
in the New World, have been affiliated in
modest manner with the Pan American
Union from 1904 and continuously onward.

III As a humble Presbyterian and biased for
Pan American Reciprocities, to a degree
larger than Internationalism, am
planning to concentrate on Reciprocal
Presbyterian Missions to Canada, Mexico,
Caribbean, Central and South America as well

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as our U. S. Territories, and endeavour to add to
our Presbyterian Pan American Missionary
Budget in the 40 States, Territories, that I have so joined in.

IV As our historical Church from the 3rd
Century A. D. has progressed through
many reactionary — Cycles of Philistinisms;
we still have much Competitions against
our proven Presbyterian Ethics and Christian
Reciprocities from Hero Worshipers, Ismitis and
all the Ideologies foreign to New World's
Constitutional Governments from Alaska to
Cape Horn.

V Am sending you a clipping "Sigerist Leaving
for Canada today" from Baltimore Sun. of Sept. 4, 1944;
We Native Born Citizens of the New World can see
Can see the Reactionaryisms of Ideologists from
Europe with their ful de rals of Onomatopoeia
in Brain Trusting over John D. Public.

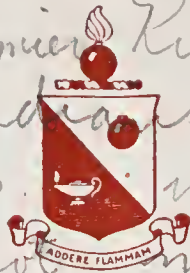
VI In Post War I, Presbyterian Church folks were
plagued with salaciousness of Buchmanism;
the 9 to 1 Issues of the League of Nations;
Modernism vs. Fundamentalism; that in
the 40 States and Territories, many found
Presbyterians of both sexes determined to forego
their Wearing their Religion — their fleeces
and proceeded to apply Jesus Christ's Parable
"The Good Samaritan."

VII In 1913, and 1914, was in Philippines and Japan while a professional soldier in U.S. Army. Can truthfully say, that in meeting and associating with Soldiers, Sailors and Marines, have never heard any specified Damning of Presbyterians and Missionaries! Many professional Soldiers, Sailors and Marines feel that they all Enlisted Missionaries of Christ, and proceed into Christianizing techniques in an unorthodox manner, that Boomerangs back to our Homelands!

VIII This Dr. Henry E. Sigerist of Johns Hopkins is "Playing with Fire" in hollycoddling with the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation, which is a Political Party element, that was publicized in a last year's issue of Collier's Magazine. Even the founder of this Wild-don't-Dressing Party is also British Isler, Bored with the Marxian theories and hastened to British Northwest by 1911 and thence Collaborated with the Industrial Workers of the World with their Headquarters on, 3rd Ave, Seattle, Washington.

Loyal Soldiers, Sailors and Marines were "Fed Up" with I. W. W. Insults and Flagrancies to our Constitutional Government, and on March 17, 1914, Smashed their Headquarters, Presses, and then with Aid of City Firemen and Police, drove 3,000 Malcontents out of the City; the same was done in Portland and San Francisco in 1914.

This Cooperative Commonwealth Federation, striving to
 Bloc and Pressure - Premier Kings' Wartime Government
 in Canada, but Canadians apparently are more
 Conservative than one of the Squanderers
 of the U.S.A.; will not make the Cooperations
 of the French Roman Catholics.



ORDNANCE-SCHOOL
 ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND
 MARYLAND

We Presbyterians in the New World can minimize
 the Isms of Christianity by applying our Fundamental
 Ethics, "The Ten Commandments, Sermons on the
 Mount" and "The Nicene Creed," which counterbalance
 much of our "Street Angels and House Devils".

Bishop Flint of the Washington, D.C. Headquarters
 of the Methodist Church has publicized the
 \$25,000,000 Crusade for International
 Methodism and the generalities of their Post
 War II. Programme.

Constructive Presbyterians know that
 Procrastination is worse than Housemaid's
 Knee; and the same \$25,000,000 Campaign
 of both Methodists and Baptists after the
 Armistice of 1918, as I watched them in San
 Antonio, Houston, Little Rock, Columbia, S.C.
 and by 1922, World War I Bonds and War
 Profits were Pump Primed into Puddle
 Jumping Buggies to Beat the Jones' Boys
 to the R. R. Crossings!

No Correspondence with my friend Mr. William Manger, Counselor of the Pan American Union, Washington, D.C. He assures me that their "Follow Throng System" of developing new world reciprocities is proceeding on an ethical Basis and by his letter, knowing that I am exhorting Progressive Presbyterians to Band themselves into a Constitutional Fusion Party by Preempting the Best Minds in the Major, Minor Parties and Independents, to assist our Constitutionally elected Executives, Legislative Members with one Judicial Dept. for a Follow System of Winning World War II with Divine Guidance!

X Keeping the World's Balance of Power in the New World, without being Stalemated in an Interlocking League of Nations that compel U.S.A. to be the Caesars of the 20th Century.

As George Washington was Wise enough to be opposed to Caesarisms; so should John L. Public realize that our Cross sections of our European and Negro Blood are still playing with Modern Victorians in of Class Rivalries: The rivalries of Acetylene Welders versus the Electric Welders are so complex, that they do not even speak the same Labormania's Gobbledygook!

Presbyterians need to maintain and develop
 Better Senses of Humour, to Assist for Better
 Citizenship for Better Government, as the
 Addicts of Jawbon - it is continuously harp
 on their Utopian Day Dreamings or
 Super Socialism - ORDNANCE SCHOOL
ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND
MARYLAND and Vague Post War II - It is!



XI Keeping our Membership, Adding New Blood,
 so that our Ministers, Moderators and
 Educators of both sexes can Reap what they have
 Sown and Assist for Better Parents for Better Babies!

It is possible that our 14 Divisions of the
 Presbytery during these Competitions of World
 War II, can "See Eye to Eye" and Incorporate
 in all the States and Territories according to
 the State and Federal Corporation Laws and
 develop a Social Security and Economic
 Earn while We Learn System as per
 generalities that have been received by many
 Presbyterian Moderators.

XII We Presbyterians are not apt to Regiment ourselves
 into any Form of Totalitarianism, but in my
 humble Opinion, We Presbyterians need to
 Watch Wolves in Sheep's Clothing and properly
 Guard over our own Flocks and Progress instead
 of being influenced by Fascism, or Modern
 Philistinisms. Because I feel certain that
 History of our Presbyteries Built Upon a Rock!
 With Respect + Esteem
 Ray Harshaw

EDWARD L. R. ELSON, D. D.
Minister

Hayes, John

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WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

May 23, 1947.

Dr. Robert E. Speer,
Lakeville, Connecticut.

My dear Dr. Speer:

It was very kind of you indeed to send in a recommendation to Wooster on my behalf, and I do appreciate very deeply the honor that Wooster is thus conferring. May the Lord with this honor confer His own blessing for the years ahead and for more fruitful service in the land that we both love.

I find the work here this year to be quite taxing at times, but it is proving of real value in the experience of a city pastor. Dr. Elson, in coming new to this field, has been able to introduce a spirit of real initiative and a lovely fellowship between the new communicants and their sponsors in the Church, which has grown with the careful instruction given in the post-Communion classes. We have covered each time the history of the faith and organization of the Church; the activities of our local Church; and the opportunities each may take in this work; and then a full committal to the life and fellowship to be found in it.

I wish that you might sometime pay us a visit, for we would love to have your counsel and your blessing.

It was a real treat to see Marnie the other day on passing through Bryn Mawr. We had just taken our son John up to interview the Chairman for Missions at Haverford. We have been very much impressed with the students of the College, and the fine spirit among its student body. Barbara is particularly taken with the game of cricket she saw being played!

With love and best wishes to you both, from us both,

Very sincerely,

John Hayes.

ERNEST MATEER HAYES
BARD COLLEGE
ANNANDALE-ON-HUDSON
NEW YORK

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20 November 1944

Doctor Robert E. Speer
Rockledge
Lakeville, Connecticut

Dear Doctor Speer,

I understand that you wrote the Board's memorial minute about my father, W. M. Hayes. Thank you for two characterizations which, from my experience as a son, are precisely apt: "He had, however, no gift of self-advertisement" and "he was one who always wanted and willed to do right." It is a pleasure to read some one who had more intimacy with his efforts and achievements pronounce these saintly verdicts. Whatever he had of success or disappointment arose, it seems to me, from those two characteristics plus a zeal for work that thought of recreation as doing another something needful. Just this evening Dorothy, my wife, and I have been rereading some letters of advice he wrote me as a boy of seventeen.

Very sincerely yours,

Ernest Hayes

Haughwout, J. Ard

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September 15, 1945

Dr. Robert E. Speer,
Rock Ledge,
Lakeville, Conn.

Dear Dr. Speer:-

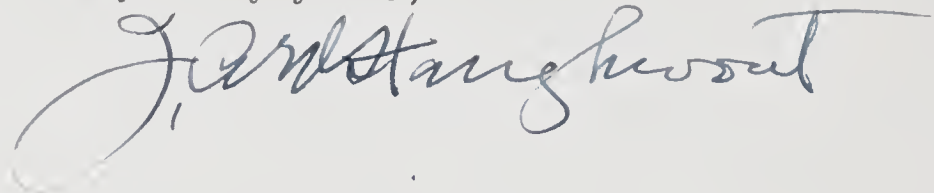
I wrote to Gould Farm and enclose herewith
the answer which I received from Mrs. Sidney McKee.

We have Miss McMillan located for the present
with Mrs. S. W. Boardman, Jr. at 225 Cedar Street,
Cedar Grove, N.J. She is in very poor condition and
it is exceedingly difficult to find any place for
such a case.

Thank you very much for your kind suggestion
and with kind personal regards, I am

JAH:B
enc.

Very truly yours,



Haughwout, J. Ard

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September 1, 1945.

Mr. Robert E. Speer,
Rock Ledge,
Lakeville, Conn.

Dear Mr. Speer:-

Your letter of August 30th enclosing the letter
from Miss McMillan is received.

As you can see from her letter she is in a pretty
bad state of mind and is fast approaching a condition
of senility which the doctor and the nurse where she has
been staying think has set in. She is a very difficult
case and we are having a great deal of trouble getting
her placed. The ladies of our church who have been
helping found a nice place for her in Cedar Grove and
took her over there the other day but it is extremely
doubtful if she will be able to stay there. I will
look up the Gould Farm near Great Barrington, Mass.
which you mention to see if they are equipped there to
handle such a case. Thank you for the suggestion.
She really needs constant nursing attention.

It was a great pleasure to see you in Montclair
recently and we hope that you can come again soon.

With kind regards, I am

JAH:B

Very truly yours,

J. Ard Haughwout

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VALLEY FORGE, PENNSYLVANIA



Sept 9, 1944

Dear Mr. Speer,

I thought I would hold the enclosed card and look up the name of the one who wrote me from 156 but ~~the~~ ^{letter} is not signed. Just the thoughtful statement that it would be hard now to reach all the mission stations and that the Board should approve of whatever is mailed.

Thank you so much for considering this article; and again all best wishes.

Sincere affection, Jack Hart

Whirlaway, Kentucky Derby Winner, Louisville, Ky.



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DEAR DR. SPEER,

IT DOES SEEM AGES SINCE OUR STUDENT
CONFERENCE DAYS I HEAR OF
YOU FROM TIME TO TIME AND
ALWAYS REJOICE IN YOUR WORK.
WEARY OF TOBACCO, I ISSUED THE
ENCLOSED. A PRESBYTERIAN MISSION
IN S. AFRICA ORDERED 1000. I THOUGHT
IT WOULD BE GOOD TO SEND ONE TO
EVERY MISSION STATION. MR. ? WROTE THE
BOARD MUST SANCTION IT, SO I AM SENDING IT
DIRECTLY TO YOU. AM HERE ON A LECTURE TOUR. BEST WISHES

PLACE
ONE CENT
STAMP
HERE

Box 163

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Lepusville
TennMontreat N.C.
Aug. 23, 1944.Dr. Robert E. Speer.
Assembly Inn.
Montreat N.C.

Dear Dr. Speer.

For five years Mrs. Hodges and I have looked forward to your appearance on the Montreat program as the highlight of the season, and we have not missed a service of yours in those years. It pains us deeply, therefore, that we must leave Montreat tomorrow (Thursday) morning, and therefore will not have the benefit of hearing you this year.

We have recently moved from Union, S.C. where we have been for eight and a half years, and accepted the pastorate at Rogersville, Tenn. It is the necessity of getting home, and getting the children ready for school, as well as to appear before a Called meeting of Holston Presbytery that takes us away from Montreat before the



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Had in the November Conference. Some of us who are approaching retirement do miss certain inspirational & spiritually uplifting times which we had in the past, and so it was with deep gratitude that we came to the close of that meeting feeling that we had again been on the mountain top & had seen a vision of God's plans which would hold us during the months & years to come.

Sincerely yours
Bessie M. Thille.



Hille, Bessie M.

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T H E H A R V E Y M . T O Y H O T E L ' S

HOTEL MANX
SAN FRANCISCO

Sept 25, 1946.

Dear Dr. Speer,-

Tonight someone let me have
a copy of your daughter's "Thanks giving
on the Gripschollen" I had not known
that it had been printed and I
wondered if you had a copy which
I might have. That Thanksgiving
service was one of the "high spots"
in our trip on the Gripschollen.

We are still waiting to get
off - and word has come that we are
to sail on Monday. It's almost as hard
to get out of America as it was out
of China.



I have wanted, too, to thank
you for the part you

Higgins, Lisetta N.
Newfield ave
Route 3
Stamford, Conn.

Dear Dr. Speer n.d.

Thank you so much
for your help - and for
the note and enclosure
from Dr. Park. I assure I
did get busy at once. I
called Dr. Park long distance
& explained I had sent
some of the eqs to Mr.
Piper, special delivery
on Aug 7 - some to mar-
shall to have physical
exam at camp. & one
to Director of Camp
Stam., also special
delivery for the psycho-
logical report.

I also called Camp
St long distance
& talked to Director

Roberts. He had not received
my special delivery! But he
promised to take care of
all material needed. This
very afternoon & get every-
thing out as soon as
possible.

Now I do hope it is
not too late. Wouldn't it
be awful if Marshall
can't get in because of a
delayed or misplaced letter?

Mr Roberts said
Marshall and a model
Heron bay, who is to
begin as a Counselor
Aug 16 - were in his office
where he was talking to
me - and he that the
boy could help get re-
cord ready.

Mrs. M. B. Higgins

Thank you again for
all the trouble & effort you took
and I am slipping in a
few stamps. for I know how they
do mount. Cordially, Lella N. Higgins

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SAM HIGGINBOTTOM
CODY VILLA
BABSON PARK, FLORIDA
September 20, 1946

The Reverend Robert E. Speer, D.D.
Lakeville
Connecticut

My dear Doctor Speer:

I am now writing my autobiography. Mrs. Ira Hatch is here and is helping greatly. Franklin Mack is eager to have it published at the earliest possible moment so that it can be used in connection with the mission study program of the churches this winter.

We are asking a few friends if they would be kind enough to read the manuscript and make criticisms and suggestions before it is submitted to the printer. I think I could get a copy of the manuscript to you about October 8th or 9th. I would be very grateful if you could go through the manuscript and I would value your criticisms and suggestions.

I have often wondered why it was that our paths have not crossed since we got home eighteen months ago. I wish you and Mrs. Speer would come to see our farm here in Florida. The winter weather is balmy and it is not too bad in the summer, as we have found out this year.

With all best wishes, Yours sincerely,

Sam Higginbottom

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CHEESMAN A. HERRICK
6733 EMLIN STREET
PHILADELPHIA, 19, PA.

9/10/45

Dr Robert E. Schell,
Beckville, Conn.

Dear Robert:-

Dr. Schell in writing me of another
mother mentions an important day on
your calendar. My hearty congratulations
and best wishes for many more useful
years. I have great difficulty in
realizing that I am in my eightieth
year, and somehow feel that I should
be doing all the things I have
done over the years. What a blessing
these extra years are, and with health
and a continuance of interest in
the old activities! With the best of good
wishes for the years to come, and thanksgiv-
ing for those that have passed, I am answer-
ing for those
Affectionately yours
Cheesman.

Henry, Mrs Bayard

19th. June, 1945.

My dear Doctor Speer,

When Miss Mabel Steele Jones returned from China, late in 1942, I first met her. Since then I have come to know her well, and have now deep admiration for her rare Christian courage and great ability. It is on her account I am now writing you.

Last week Miss Jones heard from the National Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church that she is to be retired September 1st., 1945, although she will not be 63 years old until this coming Autumn. The retiring pension is too small for living expenses these very difficult days. Miss Jones is gravely concerned, though very brave, about how she can live after September 1st. I am writing you without her knowledge, for I am making application for a small annual grant to be given Miss Jones from a fund established quarter of a century ago by a Philadelphian, Mrs. Samuel Spackman.

The Spackman Grants are, I think, about \$250 a year, even this would be a vital help to Miss Jones. It may not be possible to get this grant, but I am trying to accomplish it, so wish to ask you, if you would be willing to write a letter on Miss Jones' behalf, referring to her Missionary Record, etc. etc. The letter should be sent to Mr. John W. Brock, The Land Title and Trust Co., Broad and Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia.

In writing it would be advisable to say you are doing so at the request of Mrs. Bayard Henry, who has made application for a Spackman Fund Grant to be given to Miss Mabel Steele Jones, 137 West School House Lane, Germantown, Philadelphia.

As I felt a letter from you would carry so much weight I have ventured to write you, and hope that you will not think I am troubling you too much.

Very sincerely yours,

J. I. P. Henry

(Mrs. Bayard Henry).

Laughlin Lane,
Chestnut Hill,
Philadelphia 18.

Pension
The amount of The Pension Board, Mrs Jones
will receive is \$250.00 a year

Hayes, Mabel Sammons



Agricultural Institute,
Allahabad, India,
Aug. 31, 1946.

Dear Dr. Speer,

It was a pleasure indeed to receive your letter written in May. It arrived at a time when there was some delay in shipping evidently for it did not get here til the 26th of July. Some letters had done better than that. It seems as tho getting boats into commercial shipping is a slow process. There is little evidence that such a huge number of ships were built during the war, judging by the trouble people are having in getting passage to USA from here. Our colleagues who wanted to leave for furlough the end of April got off from Calcutta July 28. We have heard they arrived safely in San Francisco. Many Indian students have gone both on that ship and on the one which left from Bombay in August, including some of our ex-students and staff members. Cromwell Das, our professor of Chemistry, is on his way to Columbus, Ohio. He is the son of the man who was professor of chemistry many years in Ewing College who I am told died of flu in the 1918 epidemic. We are very fond of Crom and think he is good stuff.

The expansion of the Institute into an interdenominational Christian college of Agriculture for India has started. We are still having difficulties getting building materials, but just now work is proceeding on enlarging the hostel and making new small bungalows. The Jumna Dispensaries badly needs two houses for Indian doctors. We have the doctors, but are imposing on the crowded quarters of the college to house them. One great achievement of the Institute this season is an arrangement for a cafeteria mess where the majority of our students are eating together regardless of caste and creed. Bill Wiser told the folks here at the Economic conference early this month that anyone who does not believe in miracles should go and see the mess. Mrs. Vestal is doing the main part of the work for this project. The students are so enthusiastic about it and cooperate wonderfully.

The inclosed circular letter will tell you of our doings the past year. Brewster joins me in sending love to you and Mrs. Speer.

Sincerely,

Mabel Sammons Hayes

Hodges, B. S. Jr.

ROGERSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
REV. BOB S. HODGES, JR., PASTOR
ROGERSVILLE, TENNESSEE

September 11, 1945

Dr. Robert E. Speer, D. D.
Lakeville, Conn.

Dear Dr. Speer,

It was a genuine pleasure for me and my family to hear you again at Montreat this year. For several years, since we have had our cottage there, your coming has been the high-light of the Conference season for us.

We have recently moved to Rogersville from South Carolina, and we would like for you to visit our Church here, and give us a week's preaching. Let me tell you something about this section before you make up your mind that you can't come!

Rogersville is a delightful little place of about 3,000 souls in the hill country of East Tennessee, where the Valley of Virginia fans out into Tennessee. We have four Churches here, and there is the finest spirit of co-operation and fellowship existing among them that I have ever known. Swift Memorial Junior College, of your denomination, is located here, and has done a wonderful work. Our Church is the second largest Church in the community, and we are perhaps no better nor any worse, than any other congregation similarly situated. We have a wonderful plant, and a corps of willing workers, but we need inspiration such as your messages give.

Not far from Rogersville, and a frequent visitor to our town and to our pulpit, is one whom I suppose you have known through the years, as you and he have labored in the Mission tasks of your denomination. I refer to Dr. William R. King, retired now, after a long and useful career in Home Mission work. He lives at Church Hill, about fifteen miles from us.

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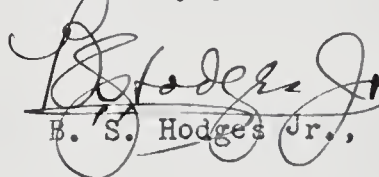
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As I said, Rogersville is in the hill-country, and offers a delightful climate the year round, but I believe October is the choicest month in the year. We came to Rogersville last September, and we found the fall months to be delightful in every respect, climatically and visably, for when the hard-wood trees on our "knobs", as the ridges are called, begin to turn, it is a lovely sight. Rogersville is not inaccessible from points east, as the main line of the Southern Railroad, with Pullman facilities and the famed, "Tennessean", New York to Memphis, passed within thirty miles of us, and we can meet you at Greeneville, Tenn, the home of your great Tusculum College.

But enough of these creature comforts, which I have stated simply to let you know something of the "atmosphere" of our section. We would like to have you visit us for a week during the latter part of October, anytime from the 15th of October to the 15th of November. We want you to come to us to "preach the Word". I believe we are ready for it, and I believe it will be a delightful experience to you.

Awaiting your reply, and with kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,


B. S. Hodges Jr.,

BSHJr.

Mrs. Harold (Mrs.)
2734 2 St. Anne's Con
N. Kansas 4

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Holmes, Gertrude E.
Sunday
October 6

Dear Dr. Speer;

My son, George, and

I thank you and Mrs. Speer
for your expression of sympathy
for us.

In August, 1945
we lost Barbara and now
Harold has left us. We

have been a very closely united
family. As you say - perhaps

the "measure of our loss" is so
very great because Barbara

and her father were two
wonderful people and so
very dear to us - so much

needed I would say. Harold
has told us so much of you

He has told us of his father's
high regard for you. We almost
named George for you and then
decided he should be named
for his two grandfathers.

Barbara was Harold's joy.
She grew up as his dear
little girl and then a real
comrade. How she loved

the stories he told of her
grandfather Holmes. Barbara
was on a work project at the
Mass. Reformatory for Women at
Framingham, Mass. when she
had the fatal horseback accident.

Harold and I had attended
the dedication of a little
memorial for her at Framingham
on May 30th last. Harold
was greatly comforted by the

evidence of the love they all had
for Barbara. She was there
only seventeen days. He returned to
Milwaukee on June 2nd and died
on June 6th.

I think of
Barbara and Harold together now
and with Mary Halmes and the others.
Mary helped us bring up Barbara
and George and they were devoted to
her.

I am very fortunate in my
devoted son, who comes to see me
often and is helping with my affairs.
Then the year we had a little
family orchestra: George plays the
violin, I the piano and Barbara
played the cello.

Then a sister, who will live with
me - wherever I go. I am hoping
to find some work to do - in
memory of Barbara and Harold as

both were deeply interested in the problems of the world. Barbara was preparing for relief and rehabilitation work. Here in Milwaukee Harold did everything he could to waken the people to the needs all over.

Will you pardon this long drawn out letter.

Dr. Speer - have you written anything especially intended for someone like me? I firmly believe that all is well with Barbara and Harold but I am utterly desolate. I would appreciate anything you can suggest in the way of reading that would help me.

Most sincerely
Julius B. Halmer

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Dr. Robert E. Speer
Rockledge
Lakeville, Connecticut

My dear Dr. Speer:

Curiously I was reading some old letters the other day and came across one written by your good self to me on my return from a trip abroad in 1925. My mind was turned to you as I was chatting with Dr. Mott and he told me of your convalescence from a serious illness. This is just a line of greeting to express the hope that you are getting along splendidly up in Connecticut. Many of us will cherish through all the days of life the joy of your friendship and our thoughts are with you as you get back your health and strength.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Harry N. Holmes
Harry N. Holmes

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May 6, 1947

My dear Dr. Speer:

I cannot begin to tell you how much I appreciated your letter. It was one of those gracious things that made the day seem brighter. Like yourself, I shall never be entirely out of the harness because there are Kingdom causes that one will work for until the bell rings.

With kindest regards and many thanks,

Sincerely yours,

Harry N. Holmes

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21st June 1946

Dear Dr. Speer,

Very many thanks indeed for your letter of yesterday, which I have just received, and which, I need scarcely say, I very deeply appreciate. It is very generous indeed of the Trustees, Princeton Seminary to honour me by electing me to the Chair, Church History - all the more so since I am personally known to few, if any, of them. I can assure you that I shall do everything in my power to justify the confidence thus reposed in me.

It will be a great pleasure to meet you at the Fall meeting of the Board Trustees.

With renewed thanks and every good wish,

Yours most sincerely,

Norman V. Hope -

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recent very worthy and very
able achievement - *visit*

and address
in Indpls -

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fully and thoughtfully ex-
tends to you our best.

Sincerely,

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Lakeville, Connecticut

Dear Dr. Speer:

The good results of the two weeks meeting in which you shared your Christian life and experience with us are appearing from many sources, which gladdens our hearts and encourages us very much. One evidence of the good results is an exceedingly strong desire to have a list of the subjects of your addresses, and a brief statement of the leading thoughts in each so that we may have them printed as a leaflet and distributed among our people. The study of such a leaflet would refresh our memories, and reenforce what we heard from you. This expression came from a large number of ministers and ruling elders who gathered to hear the report of the Committee on the Louisville Evangelistic Crusade.

The only cause for hesitancy at all was the fear of asking too much of you. Otherwise, the request is most urgent and insistent.

Along with this request we express again our gratitude to God, and to you, for your great service in Louisville. We extend to you and Mrs. Speer our warmest affections and hearty good will.

Most sincerely & fraternally yours

Wm H. Hopper

Wm. H. Hopper,
Chairman of the Evangelistic Com-
mittee of the Presbytery
of Louisville.

WHH:tm

Horne, Ottawa Ill.

773 Neil Ave, Columbus 8,
Ohio.

July 15, 1946.

Dear Dr. Spier, -

Your note reached me this morning; the address was not this one, so your note traveled around a bit!

Mr. Daniel Oliver has been in Syria (Lebanon) for many years & is under the Society of Friends. When I left Syria, almost eight years ago, Mr. & Mrs. Oliver were in charge of an Orphanage for Armenians in a mountain village. Of course he is of good repute!

I suggest, however, that you write George Scherer who will be up-to-date as to Mr. Oliver's work.

I cannot help wishing that Dr. Spier's granddaughters were going out to one of our

Mission institutions.

It is reported that the Scherers are not returning to Syria; it is probably because of ill-health. I do not have an address other than "156" for them.

With warm regards to
Mrs. Speer & yourself,
Yours cordially,
Ollora M. Horne.

N. B. Syria Newsletter No. 8
is in New York & should be
in the mails this week. ~~OMH~~

Horne, Ottora M.
773 Neil Ave.,
Columbus, O.

July 19, 1946

Dear Dr. Speer, -

In all probability, you have
seen the little newsheet from
Syria, which mentions that
Mr. Oliver is coming to Amer-
ica. I think there is a son of
the same name, but it may be
the older "Daniel." Yours, Ottora M. Horne



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Lakesville,
Conn.

*Thomas W. Hotchkiss
Peekskill, New York*

THOMAS W. HOTCHKISS

~~418 PINE STREET~~

~~PEEKSKILL, NEW YORK~~

1125 Grand Concourse
New York 52, N. Y.

October 4, 1946

Dear Bobby:

I seem to recall your interest in book-binding and hope I am correct in this.

Some years ago, while still in Peekskill I purchased from England The Lord Mayor's Diary of London, beautifully bound in red morocco, the covers lined with red moire silk. It measures $13\frac{1}{2}$ inches high by $9\frac{3}{4}$ wide and is $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick including the protecting leather cover. On the front is stamped in gold letters "Diary Colonel The Right Honorable Sir Edward Ernest Cooper Lord Mayor of London 1919-20."

It was catalogued "Binding" rather than by its title and contents, interesting though they are. The entries are made by the mayor as to daily

THOMAS W. HOTCHKISS
~~410 FINE STREET~~
~~PEERSKILL, NEW YORK~~

engagements, proper dress, decorations etc.

There are mentions of the Prince of Wales, Poincaré, The New York Symphony Orchestra and Damrosch; the presentation and unveiling of the statue of Abraham Lincoln in Westminster, etc. etc.

I must dispose of things that we do not actually need here in our one room in The Andrew Freedman Home, and want to sell this book reasonably at \$10. I consider it a bargain at that. I will send it to you by Express on approval if you are interested to look it over.

I wonder why I see no mention of our Class of '89 in the Alumni Weekly--not for a long time.

With every good wish to you,

As always

Most sincerely yours,

Tom Hotchkiss

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MRS. THOMAS W. HOTCHKISS
1125 GRAND CONCOURSE
NEW YORK 52, N. Y.

Dec. 18, 1946

Dear Mr. Speer:

Tom will be 60 years old on Jan. 29th.

I am arranging a loose-leaf birthday book of remembrance for him from relatives and old friends. Enclosed is a leaf on which please write some message and return it soon, addressing it ~~NAME~~ Mrs. Herbert W. Baker, at above address. In lower corner put "For A. W. H." and she will return it to me unopened and thus we keep it a secret from Tom.

Much appreciating your cooperation

I am

Yours

Amy W. Hotchkiss

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Hotchkiss, Tom

Feb. 20 - 1947

Dear Bobbie:—

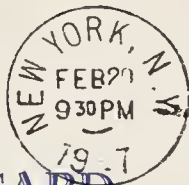
Now I've reached S in my answering with "Thank you" cards all who contributed letters, poems, etc. to this wonderful "Book of Remembrance" which Amy - my precious wife - invented, compiled^{and} laid in my lap at daybreak on Jan. 29, my birthday. With such a "Book" as this, with its 106 pages, the men of '89 who still survive do indeed "draw closer" - as you say; and also in this Book are other friends and relatives of mine, far and near, who have added their bit of joy and good wishes to make my 80th birthday happy^{and} memorable.

Speaking of books, I have not yet sold the "Lord Mayor's Diary". I do not recall having any word from the book-dealer "Maurice Firuski" whom you mentioned in your letter of Oct. 10 - '46. = Yes I did, I find, but he wrote (in a letter to you which you forwarded to me) merely suggesting that I try Scribner, Brentano or Dutton. Nothing like trying! I'll sell it yet!

Sincerely yours,

Tom Hotchkiss

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READING AND WRITING ROOMS FOR SERVICE MEN

January 26, 1944.

Dr. Robert E. Speer
Lakeville, Connecticut.

Dear Dr. Speer:

I wanted to write you as soon as I got home from Lake Alfred to express the thanks of us all for your coming last week, but Sunday piled up its responsibilities, and the new week brought more of them, and I am only now free to write.

Your presence meant a great deal to us. What you say always goes home, and what you are brings a sense of the reality and strength and beauty of the Christian faith which carries farther than spoken words. Of that you are probably not conscious, but the rest of us are, and gratefully so. This I say in behalf of us all.

Personally, beyond what the Seminar brought in the way of stimulus and guidance in my thinking, the association with you and Dr. Homrighausen was a great joy. I am reminded of something George Irving said last year in connection with his travels with you: "If you can't be a comet yourself, the best thing is to be a little piece of the tail!" I had not expected to do more than merely assemble the group and start the first session, and your generous inclusion of me in the leadership, however small my part was, gave me a sense of having a share in ministering to my brother ministers and so brought me into closer fellowship with them. For that I am grateful.

With thanks from us all, and with kind regards to you and Mrs. Speer, I am

Sincerely yours,

James M. Howard.



First Presbyterian Church

Fort Pierce, Florida

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JAMES M. HOWARD, PASTOR

READING AND WRITING ROOMS FOR SERVICE MEN

February 5, 1944.

Dr. Robert E. Speer
Lakeville, Connecticut.

Dear Dr. Speer:

Your letter with its kindly reference to my possible future connection with the Seminars came yesterday. When we were at Lake Alfred I did not know whether you knew of the action the Synod had taken.

I hope you know that was not done on my initiative. Mr. Gress wrote me shortly before the Synod met, to say that the idea had occurred to him and to ask whether I would object to his introducing a resolution on the subject. I told him that I did not believe that the Board, or Dr. Payne, would be likely to respond to such a suggestion, but that I had no objection to its being brought up if he wanted to do so.

Mr. Gress tactfully waited until I had turned the moderator's gavel over to the vice moderator and left the room before introducing his resolution, and it was discussed and passed in my absence.

Even then I did not give the matter a great deal of thought, but as time has gone on the idea has taken hold of me. I believe I might render a more effective ministry there than in the pastorate, although I realize that my limitations, in intellectual and spiritual capacity, are severe. Physically I do not believe that the demands of such a task would be any more exacting than the very full schedule I am carrying now of preaching, pastoral work (considerably amplified by what we are doing for service men), community responsibilities, and the chairmanship of the synod's most active committee. A physical check-up in New York last summer brought the best report I have had for years.

Whether this new form of ministry shall open for me or not is not in my hands. Whether I am fitted for it is for others to decide. I have no illusions about my ability. But much thought and prayer have led me toward the belief that, if God should open this path I would gladly enter it with the idea that a ministry to my fellow-ministers would be a very great privilege.

This letter does not call for a reply.

*I merely want to let you know my position,
and not to involve you in correspondence about it.*

Faithfully yours,

James M. Howard.

Howard, James M.

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August 9, 1944.

Dear Dr. Speer, -

Thank you for your gracious letter. I was sorry to come storming at you with a telegram, but the emergency was here and the time short, and there was no one upon whose response I felt I could count as upon yours to fill this kind of need if it could be done.

My work here began officially last week. The welcome accorded me by members of the Board and its staff since the appointment was made has been very humbling. I shall need much grace and wisdom beyond my own to carry on this important work on any such level as that achieved by my blessed predecessor. I am grateful for your cordial attitude and I, ^{most} your help. You will be hearing from me again as the schedule

of seminars takes shape.

"Five Minutes a Day" is on my desk
and guides the quiet moments with which I
begin each day's work in the office.

With warm appreciation,

Sincerely yours,

James M. Howard.

Howard, Philip E, Jr.

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PHILIP E. HOWARD, Jr., Editor

June 5, 1946

Dr. Robert E. Speer,
Rockledge,
Lakeville, Conn.

James J. Shuck

My dear Dr. Speer:

Mr. Gordon sent me your letter of May 17. We are both sorry about the Cotton Mather letter hoax, and shall be glad to publish your letter, with your signature.

We were not too sure of two or three words in your handwriting. Is the paper to which you refer the Easton Argus? Is the library at Cleveland the William Gwinn Mather Library? I have found his name in Who's Who, and presume that is correct.

You will be interested to know that Father, now 76, continues to come to the office twice a week. But he is quite feeble, almost blind, and in failing health. He and my sister Annie live in the lovely home of Mrs. J. Harvey Borton in Moorestown, not far from us.

Cordially yours,

Philip

PHJr-r

James J. Shuck

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MASSANETTA SPRINGS STATION
HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA
August 23, 1944

Dr. Robert E. Speer,
Rockledge,
Lakeville, Conn.

My dear Doctor Speer:

Just a line to thank you for coming to us.

Your message to the ministers on "The Mind of God"
seemed to have gone right home. A number of ministers came to
me and said it did something to them -- that they would not be
the same after hearing it. All of your addresses were excellent,
as they always are. Thank you again for coming.

Sincerely and gratefully,

Wm E. Hudson

Hudson, Wm. E

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Massanetta Springs
Harrisonburg, Virginia
Address After June 15th

August 20, 1945

Dr. Robert E. Speer,
Rockledge,
Lakeville, Conn.

My dear Doctor Speer:

I am writing to thank you for coming to us and for your very able sermons. You are always great, and you are still preaching with your old-time power. We were all thrilled by your presence and by your messages.

A number of people paid you very high compliments after you had left the grounds. One tribute was paid by Dr. Roy Smith. He stated publicly that 40 years ago you had planted a seed in his life which had followed him all of his ministry. ~~Something~~ you said or did at that time resulted in a positive change in his life, and it had followed him through his ministry. I think that is one of the greatest compliments I ever heard -- to think that you had been able to help a man who is so dynamic as Dr. Smith. He did a great piece of work for us here, and preached two or three sermons which were monumental.

We plan to have our Bible Conference next summer August 12-25. It will be our twenty-fifth anniversary and we are extremely anxious to have you on the program. We would like very much to have you Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, August 19-21. I will write you later, but just wanted you to keep these dates on your calendar.

With highest respect and much affection from both
Mrs. Hudson and myself, I am

Yours most sincerely,

Wm. E. Hudson

Hudson, Wm E.

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STAUNTON, VIRGINIA

January 31, 1947

Massanetta Springs
Harrisonburg, Virginia
Address After June 15th

Dr. Robert E. Speer,
Lakeville, Conn.

My dear Doctor Speer:

Your nice note of January 30th stating that you
can arrange to come to us August 18-20 has pleased us very
much.

We shall write you a little later about the
schedule from Richmond to Massanetta Springs. We may wish
to put you on the program to speak the last hour on Monday
morning. In that case we would suggest that you take a
Trailway Bus, leaving Richmond very early on Monday morning,
and come to Elkton where we would meet you and drive you
direct to Massanetta. However, it may happen that we would
not put you on the program until Monday evening, in which
case the train putting you in Staunton at 3:55 p.m. would
be quite satisfactory.

With a host of best wishes to you from Mrs.
Hudson, Miss Campbell and myself, I am

Yours most sincerely,

Wm E. Hudson

P.S. I know you do not like to answer a request like this
one, but it would be of great help to us. In case you were
a "conference-goer" who would be the ten men you would most
like to have appear on the program? This would include Bible
teachers, inspirational speakers and men who would present
timely messages on special subjects of moment today. I .

shall, of course, hold this information
in strictest confidence.

Barnett
Kearney
Stone
✓ Hughes ✓
✓ Skinner ✓
✓ Seidquest ✓
✓ Arthur Moore ✓
Rymer
Biggs
J. Strong
Redhead ✓
✓ Zenger ✓
✓ Mackay ✓
✓ Strawhead ✓
John Kerr
Bald.
✓ Wetch ✓

Hunt, Earl Jr.

1234 Oxford Road, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia
January 24, 1944

My dear Doctor Speer:

As a ministerial student at Candler School of Theology, Emory University, I am now engaged in the preparation of material for a Bachelor of Divinity thesis and for possible later use by the Commission on Evangelism of the Methodist Church. My subject is a study of those elements in the message and method of Dwight L. Moody which would enrich present-day evangelism if reproduced. I am confining my source materials to those supplied by leaders who felt the power of Moody in a personal way. I should regard it as a high privilege if you would send answers to the following specific questions for inclusion in the work:

- (1) What quality of Moody's message impressed you most?
- (2) What quality of Moody's method impressed you most?
- (3) What other qualities in his ministry would you recommend as valuable for our modern evangelistic efforts?
- *(4) Can you mention contemporary Christian leaders who are either Moody converts or who felt his power in a peculiar way?
- (5) What, briefly, is your evaluation of Moody as a minister of Christ's saving Gospel?

* Especially important.

I am enclosing a stamped, addressed envelope for your convenience in replying to these queries and in making any other suggestions which you feel would be helpful to me in my research. I cannot thank you sufficiently for finding time to lend me this assistance.

Perhaps you may recall your address in Johnson City, Tennessee one Saturday evening during the autumn of 1940, under the auspices of the interdenominational Youth Council of that city. It was my high privilege to correspond with you in preparation for that occasion, and later to hear you in the series of messages which you gave during the following week in Dr. McIver's church in Bristol. We remember with enduring appreciation those high days.

May our Lord's rich blessing be upon your continuing ministry.

Gratefully and respectfully yours,

Earl Hunt, Jr.

Hunter, Martha B.

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2889 San Pascual St.,
Pasadena 8, Calif.
May 31 - 1946.

Mr. Robert E. Speer,
40 Bd. of Foreign Missions,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Speer:-

A few days ago, I went to a neighbor's home in "The Grove" to carry a phone message from a mutual friend in down-town Pasadena. I found him looking over files of letters - left alone, well on in the eighties, he is preparing to move to Main Hall. He greeted me with:- "Sit down, I want to read you a letter from Dr. Robert Speer!" It is a letter you wrote in 1942 to the "Veterans Association" of Los Angeles Presbytery - a letter written by request of Dr. Donaldson, then nearing

2) the end of this life's journey. It is a beautiful letter and brought to me a personal message of inspiration and cheer. I asked our old friend to lend me the letter that I might share it with some of my women "veteran" friends :- Mrs. Miles, sister-in-law of Dr. Mary Miles of sacred memory, Mrs. Gorbald my next-door neighbor and Esther Buxton.

Dear Mrs. Miles, for several years a bed patient in our Rest Cottage - her face shone as I read of the three things that become dearer to us as we grow older :- "the precious memories of the past, the sure hope of the future and the love and fellowship of friends." Mary Gorbald recalled the happy visit in her Japan home, by you and Mrs. Speer. Esther's tender memory of your friendship with her young brother is very precious to her. Esther is so

brave, so cheerful, though suffering
greatly with arthritis. She does
a really beautiful work in the
Shut-In Society of which she is
the head representative in Cal-
ifornia.

For some time I have had it
in my heart to thank you for
sharing with others - "Five Minutes
a Day". I use my copy mostly
at night, in the quiet hour
before sleep. The poems, - several
of them familiar - the prayers of
the "children of God", the holy
promises - how truly I thank
our Father for a benediction
sent by Him at the close of the
day."

One of the things that I vivid-
ly remember of the early years in
which you were Secretary of our
Columbia Mission is in regard
to your letters to us. No matter
how much there had been to say
of business details, no letter
ever closed without some word

3) That made us think of the one great thing we were doing, called to be "co-laborers with Christ."

I keep in touch with missionary associates and former pupils in Colombia; I rejoice in what speaks of growth in our Master's service, especially in the spirit of our youth;

Several of our young folk are in colleges here in the U.S.A. One "Gravelson" writes from Dubuque that he has been placed on the honor roll of the University for this year. Mrs. Parker, of Hanover, wrote me in loving terms of a young namesake now finishing her second year in Hanover College.

I thank our Father, Dr. Speer, for your letter, your books; - above all for the help and inspiration He has given to me and to others along the way, through your Christ-centered life. May these years, for you and Mrs. Speer, be radiant.

Sincerely & gratefully
Martha B. Hunter

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Hutchins, E. E.

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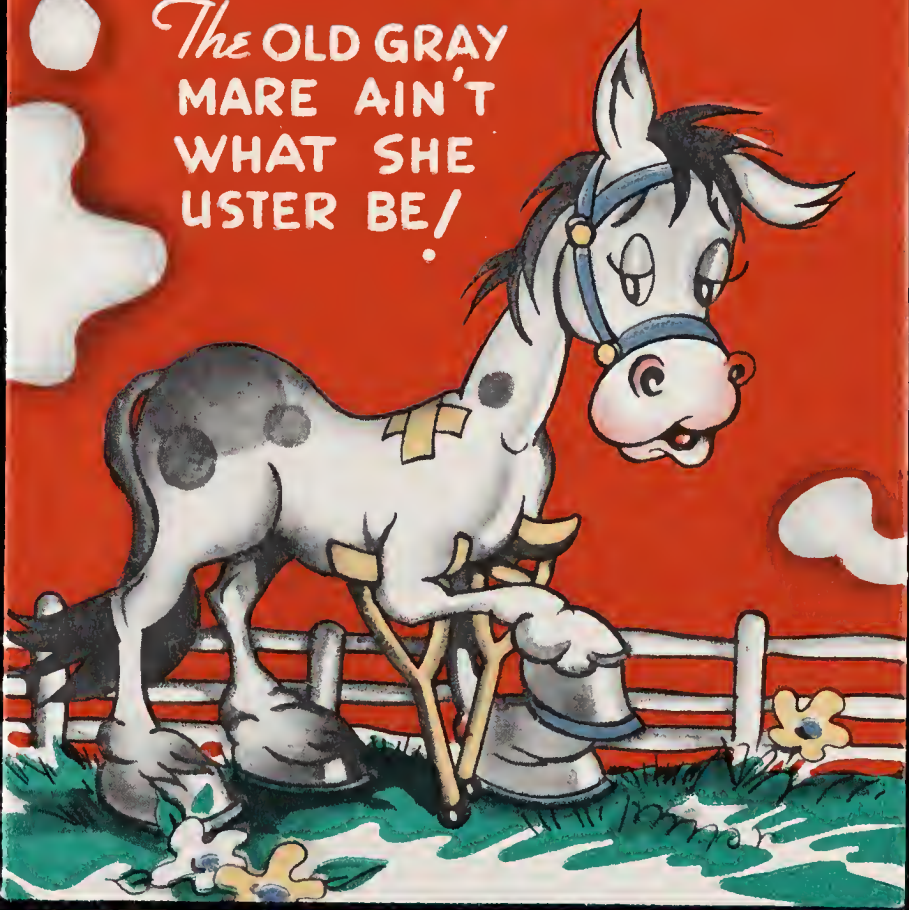
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are stopping at
Knapptonah for this
lake. A. W. Holmes
wrote a poem here and
less than 2 miles Jos. Bishop
arrive July 22nd before
to work Aug 14. 44
think David must have
written one of his poems
here. Kind regards to all
From me + Mrs. S. C. Hutchins.

Rev. ' Robt' E. Sheerdel
Rockledge
Lakeville - Conn

CHEER UP!

The OLD GRAY
MARE AIN'T
WHAT SHE
USTER BE!





"CHEER UP"!

But I'm betting you have
enough "KICK" left to
GET WELL QUICK!

575 Hancock Dr Hutchins, S. E. April 15, 45.
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Rev: Robert E. Sher Idl.

I am so glad to hear that
you have returned to Becksville,
no not what used to be. Oh those
buggy days. The answer is on the
inside and furthermore there is
no room yet up there for you. The
Good Lord knows you are needed
here. And the folks that know
Rev: Robert E. Sher Idl. they can
honestly say, without blushing
or exaggeration. A Man of God.
I returned to work headed up Mich
absent since Dec 4th - 44 & look back
with kind regards from the
Hutchins to you and family.
S. E. Hutchins.

7/15/45

Hutchins, Sydney E.

Breezy Knoll Inn

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Lakeville Conn.

To a man of God who has been
a dear friend to me. I am stopping
at the above situated on Pontassuc Lake
Pittsfield Mass. About 2 1/2 miles from
the business center of Pittsfield. It is Gods
Country. And is the home of the lamented
Poet Oliver Wendell Holmes. I see
Mrs J. Ross Stevenson occasionally.
I see by the Paper some time ago, Dr
S. S. Mudge, who you introduced to me,
has passed away. So many I have met
or became acquainted with have retired
or passed away. But life goes on and
lives on. Hoping you and yours are en-
joying good health. And that some of
your anxiety has been relieved by your
daughters return from China. And May Cassidin
Germany. I have been thinking about Bill.
My dear wife and I want to be remembered
to you all. Sydney E. Hutchins

The First Methodist Church

Pittsfield, Massachusetts

July 15, 1945

Order of Worship

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship

The Minister

Hymn 324

Call to Confession

The Minister

The people standing

Prayer of Confession

All uniting, the people seated

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts; cleanse us, we beseech Thee, from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires; that with lowliness and meekness we may draw near to Thee, confessing our faults, confiding in Thy grace, and finding in Thee our refuge and our strength, through Jesus Christ, Thy Son. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Prayer for Service Men

The Lord's Prayer In unison

Vocal or Instrumental Music

Scripture Lesson

Pastoral Prayer Response

Offering With prayer and offertory

Hymn 241

(Grade School children retire)

Sermon and Prayer

Hymn 315

Benediction With Response

Organ Postlude

MR. TRYON'S MORNING SUBJECT will be "Satisfying Our Needs." Today's Music will include a solo, "Teach Me to Pray," by Jewitt, sung by Lorain Tinnes. Mrs. Hoffmann, at the organ, will play "The Bells," by Chauvet; "Choral Melody," by Bach; "Finale," by Sheppard.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR today are given in loving memory of Lt. Robert F. Bastow, by Miss Ernestine Carter.

THE CAMP COMMITTEE gratefully acknowledge contributions to the Camp and Conference Fund as follows: W. S. C. S., \$50; Ladies Aid, \$25; Church School and Primary Dept., \$36.17; Envelope Collection, \$42.19.

THE WESLEYAN CLASS will hold a covered dish picnic at the cottage of Mrs. Bessie Shelton, Waubeek Road, Pontoosuc Lake, on Wednesday, July 11, at 12.30. Bring covered dish and own utensils.

THE LADIES AID meets with Mrs. Fred Sears, 11 Lebanon Ave., for a covered dish picnic, on Wednesday, July 18, at 12.30.

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be open mornings only next week, July 16 to 22. Mr. Tryon will be in the office from 9 a. m. to 12.30 daily.

SUNDAY, JULY 22, Mr. Chaffee will preach on "What a Heavenly Father."

All Summer - Each Sunday

9.30 A. M. Church School - 10.45 A. M. Public Worship

12.00-12.15 Chapel Prayer for Service Men

(Also Daily at 12.15 p. m.)

H. ELLIOTT CHAFFEE, Minister

MARION P. HOFFMANN, Interim Organist

CHARLES W. TRYON, Assistant Minister

CECILIA A. REED, Secretary

M. A. TRUMBLE, Sexton

Hutchins, Sydney E.

9-16-45



A Birthday
Message

Wishing for you so many things
Besides the joy a Birthday brings
Happy hours to fill each day
Fortune to smile upon your way
Years that are crowded with glad success
And friends and health
and Happiness!



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Sept 16, 1945-

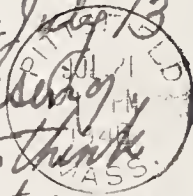
Yesterday, A Girl gave me a tip,
that some one who had been since
affection, had several days ago
passed another mile stone. As the
Irishman says More Power to ye.
Sydney E. Hutchins.



7/20, '46

arrived here July 13
back on crossing
Aug 5th After thinking
of you, or mentioning your
name to some body,
of how mostly who are
living, of the old friends
are so scattered.

Best wishes to you &
yours. From Mr & Mrs
S. E. Hutchins



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Hutchins, S.E.

Just

Jul. - '46



POST CARD

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Rockledge
Lakeville Conn

(Hutchison) Ralph C.

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WASHINGTON, PENNSYLVANIA

June 13, 1945

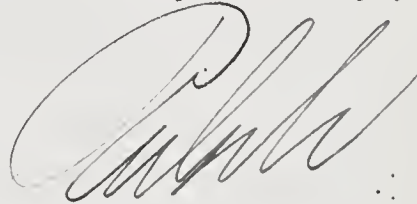
Dear Doctor Speer:

Though I saw you the other night and enjoyed the visit I failed to tell you how much I appreciated your splendid letter which came at the time of my election to Lafayette. I am ever grateful for your interest and I therefor appreciate, unusually, your good wishes. I hope that in moving farther east I may see you folks a little oftener and that we may have the privilege of having you very frequently on the Campus at Lafayette College.

Your message the other night at Dr. Kerr's dinner was powerful and inspiring. We were all lifted up and strengthened by your words. I can think of no better way to retire in this life than to have you preside with such gracious and strengthening comments.

With warmest regards from both of us.

Very sincerely yours,



The Reverend Doctor Robert E. Speer
Rockledge
Lakeville, Connecticut

Hutchison, Stuart Nye
6-7-45
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Dr. Robert E. Speer,
"Rockledge",
Lakeville, Connecticut

Dear Dr. Speer:

Friends of Dr. Hugh Thomson Kerr
in the Presbytery of Pittsburgh are giving
a testimonial luncheon in his honor on
Wednesday, June 20th. We would appreciate
a brief letter from you which could
be read at that time.

Very sincerely yours,

Stuart Nye Hutchison

For the Committee

June 7, 1945

I think Stephen Kern has been one of the most
useful and helpful men in the Press in our
time. By his sagacious counsel, his under-
standing & conciliatory spirit, his sound judgment,
his good will, his courage, his true ~~friendship~~
affection, his sense of history, his sincere
friendliness and all the qualities of his long
life, and whatever he has secured this
winter and his time with fidelity & promptness,
I join with you all in wishing him ~~well~~
for the years ahead a life of continued joy
and usefulness.

Hutchison, Stuart Nye
Jul. 17, 1946



A. GORDON MOODY
MANAGER

THE NORTHFIELD
AND
CHATEAU
EAST NORTHFIELD, MASS.
OPEN ALL THE YEAR

RALPH M. FORSAITH
ROOM CLERK

Dear Dr. Speer:

Dr. Willson's
letter I am forwarding for
Dr. Mackay and have
so written him.

We will soon have two
positions in the depart-
ment of theology to fill.
I hope you will have
this important matter
in mind, we will need
your wisdom and
experience in the coming
year more than ever.

Now Hutchison and I
are enjoying the quiet
peace of Northfield and
the fellowship of kindred



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friends which we always
find here.

With best wishes to you
and Mrs Spear for the
summer.

Cordially yours
Stuart Nye Hatchison
July 17. 1916

Bro

Hyde, Marion

June 28th, ?

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Spun:

Just a word to tell you
that Elloth is growing weak.
every day. Mr. Thoyt that
she was about to be released
last week, but she rallied
again. Speech is difficult
for her, although her mind
is clear most of the time.

Oh long so to go, as
do we to have her. She
has lived in Heaven so
long!

I know you will carry
her in your hearts these last
days and weeks.

He has asked to be commended
by a simple family reunion
his at Mr. house, so he are
not asking his friends to travel
down.

My deep love to you and
to Holly, too. Miss knowing
she is near to!
Sincerely, Miss M.

Mrs. John Meigs

Hyde, Marion July 14th 1944

Love to have you note.
Mother has had several
ups and downs. Yester-
day, she unraveled on truck
fastening in the big chain
and on going through some
kitchen drawers afterwards
today, she is exhausted,
as a result. We are all
amazed at her endurance.
We keep you advised.
In the postal - I have a
bad eye at the moment.
Love to you both -
Marion Hyde



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Lakeville
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W.S.

May 2nd

1946

MRS. MEIGS HYDE (Marion)

HILLREST

POTTSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

Dear Mr. Spier:

Maynard Spier tells me you left
Philadelphia only today for Lakeville! I
called to ask her if she knew whether or
not you baptized babies! My Ethel had
a small son, Erik Hvoslef, born on Palm
Sunday, and if Maureen can arrange
to bring in small son, Johnny Lindo,
next week end, both girls thought they
would like to have a double service
for the two offsprings. Would this be
feasible, do you think, and would you

MRS. MEIGS HYDE
HILLREST
POTTSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

be willing to officiate, perhaps in the
Hill Chapel Sunday noon? If you are
allergic to ^{christening} babies, we shall understand
and forgive you! The plans are very
reticent, but I, for one, should like to
see the plans work out.

Mother is considerably weaker,
and unable to watch the christening
as I had once hoped. But she sees the
baby and Elin every day.

My dear I'm to you soon. I was won-
derful to see Holly at South a week ago. He
is doing a magnificent job! Affectionately, Marion

Hyde, Marion

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FRANKTOWN,
NEVADA

FORMERLY: TUMBLING D W RANCH

April 8th, 1947

Dearest Mr. Speer:

Your letter followed me about the country-side, for I left The Hill the end of February, on a series of visits around New York and Connecticut, only to have our old friends, the Jay Grandins of Boston, telephone, out of the blue, to see if I were free to accompany their daughter, Isabella on the sad, but apparently necessary trip to Reno.

On receipt of your letter, I wrote at once to Mrs. Warnock, to see if she knew whether or not Mother had left any organized collection of material for the "Boys' Daily Strength" which she had often spoken of compiling. Among various papers, I had frequently run across odds and ends of quotations marked "D.S.", but had found no real collection assembled anywhere. Now Steady writes me that as far as she knows there is no such collection, but that she thinks you may well be referring to the collection of poems and prose quotations on "Love, Life and Death", of which there are presumably three sets.

As I recall it, the last thing done about it was some ten years ago, when I think Russell Bowie submitted it to some publisher for her, but it proved not to be a propitious moment for it. Since then,

several other anthologies have come out, and I have no idea how the market would receive another one.

At the moment, as I have written Hermann Hagedorn, I am committed to assembling the material for a biography of Edward Sheldon. I had hoped last Fall that Mr. Van Wyck Brooks would write it, but he is unable to because of prior commitment. Both he and Mr. Ferris Greenslet of Houghton Mifflin are interested in the project, and have asked me to do it, but of course Ned's mother (who reminds me in many ways of Mrs. Riddle of Farmington'.) would like to discover a first rate author to handle it - and quite naturally. I have been authorized to do the collecting of material, and am up to my neck in it now, although, when I return to close (and empty) Hillrest - where I am due the first of May - I shall have to drop any work on the E.S. biography until I get to Vineyard Haven, probably July first.

If by any chance, you would care to take on the revision and editing of "Love, Life and Death", both Margaret and I would be happy beyond words to have you do so, and to have you make it your own project. You would find it would ultimately become that, no matter what the initial work Mother has done on it.

As to a possible biography of Mother, we are just not organized about that yet. I should want to talk with Margaret about that. Do you think - off the record - that it would be possible for Russell Bowie to do it, or do you think it would be too presuming to even ask him? Not that his heart would not be in it, but the time factor is as important as the financial. There isn't the money around that there was when Father's biography was launched, and it may well be that it would be difficult to swing.

I haven't the least idea how these biographies are financed (The Sheldons have plenty of money, so do not seem at all concerned about that end of the matter) but I presume the publisher must be under-written, to some degree, at least.

If I did well on the Sheldon project, I might have more confidence about handling Mother's Life, but I am not so sure that a less personal viewpoint might not be more effective. I wish you would be honest about this point with me.

The doctor has not yet given his approval about my taking a job in the Fall. Of course, it is already too late to be able to pick up a good boarding school position. The Avon people keep in touch with me, and hope to open in September, '48, but a young and sprightly headmaster may not be the least interested in welcoming an old dowager of fifty-five, so that it all very uncertain. Just at present, everything about the future is completely unpredictable,- but so is everyone else's these days!.

It was dear of you to write about these matters, and I do appreciate it, even if it has taken me a long time to reply. My love to Mrs. Speer and to you. If I can possibly get to Watertown and Farmington in May or June, I shall hope to drive over to Lakeville and to talk with you about these things. But in the meanwhile, if you would like to mull over the "Life, Love and Death" material, I could mail it to you on my return.

Devotedly,

Marion Hyde

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May 26, 1944.

Dr. Robert E. Speer
Lakeville, Conn.

Dear Dr. Speer:

We received your letter requesting us to send you 50 sheets of the Heavy Card Board, and while we did not have any of this stock or similar stock available, we have tried to locate some of this to furnish it to you if possible, but so far without success.

It is indeed an extraordinary situation when even this small quantity cannot be readily secured, but the difficulty is caused by the shortage of stocks due to the paper shortage.

We, however, will keep this before us, and hope to be able to take care of this for you in the near future, which we trust will be satisfactory to you.

Yours very truly,

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April 27, 1945

Rev. Robert Speer, D.D.

New York

My dear Dr. Speer:

I was delighted to learn recently, from my friend Mr. McWilliams, who is a member of the Committee on the Sunday Evening Club, in Chicago; that they expected you to speak for them. I am rejoiced at your recovery. When I heard of your severe illness, I just quietly joined the fellowship of prevailing prayer that went up from the hearts of so many of your friends all over America, and for that matter all over the world. I intended to write to you at that time, but at that time it could only have been an expression of hope, now it is an expression of gratitude that God has restored you again to your splendid activities.

This is just to let you know, that one of those, who have known you longest is still quoting you, as I did last Sunday, "Let not the good be an enemy of the better".

My kind regards to Mrs. Speer. I am expecting to leave here after four years of service, as they are on the hunt for a new preacher; and I shall be glad to return to the soil, farming in the Catskills.

Yours as Ever
Bobbie
R. S. Inglis

Inman, Ressie

133 Pondfield Rd.
Bronxville, S. N. Y.

Jan. 1, 1947

Dear Dr. Speer:

I began the New Year by reading the wonderful book you sent me. No, I haven't lost God. I do not believe I could. However life has been rather hard lately and sometimes I find myself questioning certain

with us again. My blind
father has developed cancer of the
jaw and that gives us much
concern. He is eighty five and
cannot undergo an operation.

Give our love to Mrs. Speer. We
greatly appreciated her card and
often speak of both of you. I
tried to reach you by telephone
Christmas day but could not

things. I found the book a great comfort and source of strength.

As you probably know, John is with the Church Peace Union and he and wife and three years old daughter are living with us. It was good to have a little child around again at Christmas time and to have both boys

get you. He can never begin
to tell you how much we
appreciate you and Mrs. Speer
and your friendship.

May God bless you both
throughout the New Year

Your friend
Bessie Luman

SAMUEL GUY INMAN
PONDFIELD COURT
BRONXVILLE 8, NEW YORK

Jan 11, 1946

Dear Mr. Speer:

Thank you for the books and the lovely letter, precious in themselves and in the reminder of all the holydays and workdays we have spent together. It is good to have Flemming's excellent study of The Worst Court and the lessons from our failure to enter it. Would you mind my loaning it to Cong. Sol Bloom, one of our delegates at S. France., who, when asked why he objected to the formation of a new Court, replied: "It's a matter of loyalty. Why should we throw aside an organization that we have been a member of for all these years, just to organize a new one?"

What an interesting world! This last week I've had two stirring "off the record" conferences, one at the State Dept, where top officials talked foreign policy to about 40 invited guests and one in Canada, where 15 U.S. and 15 Canadian citizens spent three days on our common problems in a postwar world.

Dott joins me in heartiest thanks for your Christmas books and in the deepest, continued affection for you and Mrs. Speer and the children.

Guy

Innes, George

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BETTENDORF, IOWA
(NEXT TO DAVENPORT)

Jan. 24" 1944

Dear Robert-

I'm pretty heavily in debt to you for your Thanksgiving Day letter & your Dec. 17th letter and the book "5 minutes a day" I enjoyed them all. What a happy day it must have been for you Mrs. Speer when your daughter Margaret arrived on the Tripskolden. I hope she was not badly affected by her experiences, which must have been trying.

I imagine she will be at home for some time now. She & you will of course heard of the broadcast the Generalissimo made to the soldiers on Christmas eve.

Our winter has not come here yet each day has been sunshine, no snow, no ice.

Someone told me you were speaking in Chicago lately. I haven't seen you since we parted at Bloomington Ill in 1938. Some day when peace comes & we can drive even if we are not developing essential equipment measures I am going to jump into the car & go to Lakeville, arriving 7:45 am. & stay until 5:45 PM. & visit for 10 hours we will all go out for lunch so there will be no interrupting the chat.

I have a birthday Feb. 8th about 5 years
behind you then the next day Mrs. Innes & I
start to drive to Calif. to work on a machine
to harvest Potatoes. Potato harvesting is in
about the same stage of development as
grain harvesting was 120 years ago when
McCormick invented the reaper.

God sometimes blesses people by giving
them money & some times He gives it
to them as a means of disciplining them.
I don't know what His plan is this time
but anyway He has been putting more
into my hand than I need, my tastes
haven't changed, so if it is to be disciplining
I think I'll involve you in it a little &
that's the reason for this sheet
of green paper.

I am at the office, if I were at home
Mrs. Innes would be joining me in greetings
to you & Mrs. Ager.

Lovingly

George

Innes, George

JK



MOTEL INN
WORLDS LARGEST MOTEL
BAKERSFIELD CALIFORNIA

June 25 - 1944

Dear Robert - A long time ago
I got a good letter from you.

Feb. 8th I was 71 retired & came out
here and in the four months
have worked harder than for years.
The word "retired" is a mischievous
one & now I think should never
be used.

Mrs Innes & one of my sons, Robert
has been with me. In the fall
we will build the beginning
of a branch factory.

We start to drive some day, yet
tomorrow.



MOTEL INN
WORLDS LARGEST MOTEL
BAKERSFIELD CALIFORNIA

You never were so foolish as to say,
you had retired just because you
changed situations.

I hope you Mrs. Spear have been
happy & well.

If you come to Los Angeles this
Oct. & on thru the winter let
us know we will run down
& meet & hear you,

Love

George Moore

Innes, George

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BETTENDORF, IOWA
(NEXT TO DAVENPORT)

D. W. INNES, VICE PRESIDENT

August 2 '44

Dear Robert -

Soon after Mrs Innes & I got home from Calif I got your good letter and was glad to know you could help in his very difficult situation.

Yes I remember Dr Tarrett.

Its too bad that men who have given unselfishly for the Kingdoms sake have to be in such hard positions. So if you know of some similar circumstance in future be sure to let me know.

I will not be their benefactor it will be you for I have been making money the past few years & you have not.

I will be here until about first of October then expect to go back to Calif to pursue the effort which kept me there February until July.

but before going I will write to you
and give you my address there and
hope that if your journey brings
you out there next fall or winter
we can arrange to have some
lamb chops together.

I hope Mrs. Speer and the rest of
your family are well.

Affectionately

George Jones

Innes, George

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INNES COMPANY

1150 EAST PICO BLVD.

LOS ANGELES, 21 CALIFORNIA

October 23, 1944.

Dr Robert E. Speer
Rockledge
Lakeville, Connecticut

Dear Robert:

Another year has rolled round and dropped some fatness on Innes Company and again the Board of Directors gave me a check to go to the Board of Foreign Missions of our church. It is #990414 Y of the First National of Chicago. As before will you kindly use it to buy a draft for the Board and make no mention of the source of the gift.

I am also enclosing a check of my own and it is for the purpose of your buying a Christmas gift for your good wife. You may again find some good place for it for some Missionary who is home and needs about such an amount badly but in such a case please tell me and I will send another one for that purpose because Mrs Innes and I want Mrs Speer to have some gift from us. and be sure to get out an injunction lest she too would turn the gift over to the Y W.

Last spring when we were here five months we developed a machine and we now are opening a branch factory here in which to begin making it.

We have rented a house at 925 Atchinson Street, Pasadena so we will be here until next July. We still have our home in Davenport.

With kindest personal regards,

Affectionately

George Innes



(Innes) George

jr



BAKERSFIELD INN

Bakersfield, California

May 26-1945

Dear Robert—

I had a card from you last winter telling me you were on the way back to health. I have assumed that you arrived again at full strength & that not that that I should burden you with frequent enquiries but now maybe you can send me along again. I am up here temporarily on business. My address is still 1150 E. Pico Blvd. Los Angeles 21 Calif.

We have been attending Pasadena Pres. Ch. & getting first class for Dr. Blake. We plan to permanently move this fall & by Oct. be living at 1704

Meadowbrook Road, Altadena. (which is just above Pasadena.)

Remember me to Mrs. Spear. Mrs. Innes is not with me here.

Love George

Innes, George

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INNES COMPANY

1150 EAST PICO BLVD.

LOS ANGELES, 21 CALIFORNIA

October 26, 1945

Mr Robert E. Speer D.D.
Rockledge, Lakewood, Conn.

Dear Robert:

This being my and Edith Innes 47th wedding anniversary I thought it a good time to write to you to tell you that our eyes are on the 50 mark.

I hope you and Mrs Speer are both well, that you have fully recovered from your illness of the months ago.

We sold our house in Davenport and our home is now in Calif.

Our home address is 1704 Meadowbrook Road Altadena, Calif.

We are moving our factory to Bakersfield and my business address will be, 99 Lakeview Avenue, Bakersfield, Calif.

I will be at home each week end, Sat. Sun, & Mon. and in Bakersfield Tue. Wed. Thurs & Fri.

I presume that you still go out on speaking tours and when one of them takes you to the coast remember the above addresses and look in on us.

I am enclosing a ck. that comes from our Co. to the board and I am troubling you to send draft to the board with no mention of source. In the past you insisted on paying the exchange and I fear that I cannot break you from that custom.

With kindest greetings to you and Mrs Speer from Mrs I. although she is not here at the office and from,

Your loving friend,

George Innes



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GEORGE INNES

1704 MEADOWBROOK ROAD

ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA

Dec. 8 - 1945

Dear Robert.

There was some confusion changing our address from Los Angeles to Bakersfield but both your letters finally reached me & I was glad to get them.

We have a nice place here about one half mile from the foot of the mountains.

When we lived in Iowa Mrs. Innes & myself said we were going to Lakeville some time to see Rockledge & the folks who live there but now we are more than twice as far away, but when you come out this way on a speaking tour you must leave an open space in your time for a stay at Meadowbrook.

I had thought of endorsing the Ch. to Mrs. Spier but I will leave that for you to do and it from Mrs. Innes & myself as a merry Christmas with love

George

GEORGE INNES
1704 MEADOWBROOK ROAD
ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA

June 6

Dear Robert,

Long ago I got your excellent book
"Jesus & Our Human Problems" I said
I'll read it thru & then acknowledge
it, but I found I couldn't read
it thru. The meat is too strong
for me so I am reading it
devotionally, as part of my
devotions. Its very rich & I
thank you so much for it.

Mrs Innes came up here to Bakersfield
where my office is & where I am now
& we went to Yosemite for three days.

Your book is like the view from
Glacier Point one cannot look & then
say "yes I see it" one has to sit still
& look all day at any one spot &
look & then he can scarcely say he
has seen it.

Yv & Mrs Speer come next June 1908
with Mrs Innes & me to Yosemite.

Sincerely Your friend

George

GEORGE INNES

1704 MEADOWBROOK ROAD
ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA

July 16 - 46

Dear Robt.

Mrs Innes is in Iowa. The day she left my sister who lived in Bakersfield, where I am now, died on her 62nd wedding anniversary her husband still living.

Last Sunday afternoon I was alone at above address so I spent the afternoon in your latest book.

It was a great afternoon in the shade in the back yard.

All mist cleared away & I sat there until the full moon came. Thank you for that happy afternoon.

Sincerely

George

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WR

GEORGE INNES
1704 MEADOWBROOK ROAD
ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA

Oct. 16 1946

Dear Robert -

Here is a check for \$15000 for
you to handle as in the past
for the Foreign Board.

I got a number of your book
"Jesus & our Human Needs"
and handed them around
to those I knew they would
help.

I hope you and Mrs Speer
are well.

Mrs Innes is well.

I'm hoping you & Mrs Speer
will come out here this
winter & there is a place
for you both at our house

Love

- George

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GEORGE INNES

1704 MEADOWBROOK ROAD
ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA

December 9, 1946

Dear Robert:

I got in your letter of the 1st. the receipt for the check that you were good enough to send on to the Presbyterian Foreign Board. Thank you.

I also got the pamphlet with your address at Union Seminary. I enjoyed it and so did Mrs Innes, as she wants me to tell you.

I know Fred MacMillan would like a copy so if you have an extra copy please send him one.

Mr Fred C. MacMillan
c/o The Kansas City Club,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Here is a check for Mrs Speer tell her to buy with it something for her own personal enjoyment.

With Love

George

*Merry Christmas
to both of you.*

Irving, Mrs. George
87 Maple St
Christina?) Summit N.J.
(Jan. 2, 1944)

My dear Dr. Speer, KS

You can
imagine how pleased
I was to receive a
copy of your "Five
Minutes a Day" when I
read what you wrote
in it for me - How very
very often I want to
tell George things & how

Happy I would be to
show him what you have
written -

I wish very much I
could see you, Dr. Ocker,
Dr. Mott called me up
before he left for Florida
& Gale Seaman has written
me & others. They seem to
think some kind of a
biography of George should
be written, different people
were suggested to write it

give me your lowest opinion
should it be done at all?

should it not be something
quite simple, short & easily
read - I have hundreds of
letters about him, but I have
not kept one of his - He did
not like to see them lying
around after he got home -
Did I tell you I found
note among his papers
with heading like this "
"Robert Speer in early life."
"Robert Speer in later years, etc."

Naturally you are the
one friend of his whom

I would like to do it,
but I am afraid it is
asking too much.

I was so happy to learn
that your daughter arrived
on the Gripsholm. You
would have a truly happy
Christmas I am sure.

I went to Ohio & was
with Ruth & her little
family, Frank was able
to be with us for 7 hours
on Christmas day so I
had no time to think

about myself -

Thank you again very
much for my copy of
your little book. I have
read & re read parts of
it. I hear the Berners
are going well. Wish let
them wear you out!

With ^{the} best wishes to
both you & Mrs Speer for a
truly blessed 1944
Yours sincerely
Christina K. Irving
Jan 2nd 1944

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MRS. GEORGE IRVING
EIGHTY-SEVEN MAPLE STREET
SUMMIT
NEW JERSEY

Sept 27th 1944

My dear Mr. Speer,

I see by our church paper that we are to have the privilege of having you at our morning service on November fifth - I would be so happy if you would take dinner with me on that day & hope no one else is ahead of me -

Mr & Mrs Porter spent last Sunday with me & we again

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NEW JERSEY

talked over the little biography
of George. I shall be glad to
talk to you too about that.

I wonder if you are as busy
as ever keeping Dr. Howard.

Looking forward to seeing
you - Yours sincerely
Clara K. Irving

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MRS. GEORGE IRVING
LAC MAROIS, QUE.
CANADA

July 8, 1945

My dear Dr. Speer:

I have been so thankful to hear that you are able to be around again after your very serious illness. I do trust you are really well.

David Porter has been out in Summit two or three times to talk over with me the proposed biography of my George. It is just impossible for me to be any judge of the advisability of publishing it or whether it is what any one would enjoy reading. Of course, I love it. It's George but I am too near him to be any judge.

I did love your chapter. You really knew him. I wish I could talk to you about the whole book. In the beginning of your chapter you mention about Dr. Kerr originating the Seminars. My feeling about that is quite different. Do you mind my telling you what I think? While George was in the Y for some years before his retirement he had what he called "Spiritual Emphasis" Conferences for Y workers. Very much like his "seminars", with prominent speakers, but you know all that. The reports of these conferences were always printed. Now, Dr. H.M. Robinson of the Board came to the one at Mohonk, (I was at that one and remember), and I think he was at either one or two others. He and George became friends at that time. They had not known each other at all well before then. And when George

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spoke of his retirement then "Robbie" talked to him about coming and doing just this same thing for Presbyterian ministers. He got Dr. Kerr and Colonel Babcock interested and they came and talked to George about it all. After George joined the Staff of the Board he was then asked to take charge of the luncheon meetings at the Assembly. So you see why I cannot agree with what Dr. Kerr says. David Porter suggests that there was a parallel line of development, that Dr. Kerr and Dr. Robinson had been having the luncheon Seminars at the Assembly and that when Dr. Robinson saw George in action at the Y Conferences he had the desire to expand the work of the Board to include the Faith and Life Seminars.

And now, Dr. Speer, I want to ask you something. I would like so much to have you read over all the chapters and give your advice as to what should be cut out and what left. I feel George would like you, above anyone else, to do this. I know David Porter would be glad too. You know so well how biographies should be written. Isn't Dr. Hutchin's chapter too long? Is Dr. MacLeod's chapter all right? He's quite willing to have it rewritten. Perhaps this is asking too much but I had to tell you how I felt.

My writing is not much better than my husband's so I am asking Frank to type this. He is here with me for a week but goes back to camp next week. I'll

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LAC MAROIS, QUE.
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be here until the end of August. Isabel Mackay and her husband Bruce Metzger come to me for August.

With kindest regards to Mrs Speer and yourself,

Very cordially yours,

Christina K. Irving -

P.S. I have sent a copy of this letter to Sam Porter.

Janvier(?) Ernest

American Presbyterian Mission

14, Kutcherry Road

Katra, Allahabad, India

Sept. 6, 1946.

Dear Dr. Speer:

It was so good to hear from you again! Your note of Apr. 8th reached us, June 4th in Landour. I haven't been too swift about answering, have I? There is this advantage about the delay,-- that I can enclose a copy of the latest report to the Mission; maybe, also, one of the work at the Magh Mela last cold season.

I am so glad you are still able to get around to Lenten services among the Presby. Churches of the East! I still have some Braille notes of your addresses at the meeting of the Synod of Pa. in '43. Every once in a while they get pawed over, and I purloin some of your thunder! I think I have used at least one of these outlines in my bi-weekly talks at the chapel of Wanamaker School.

This year I have encouraged the girls to send me questions which have been bothering them; and I am trying to answer them.

Yes, the world is still in quite a mess, not India only. We here have our Interim Government, but we also have serious riots-- both in Calcutta, a "Muslim" province, and in Bombay, a Congress province. This morning our cook wanted to know whether there was to be war again,-- between the U.S. and Russia-- because work in the Alhbd. Fort was starting up again. I told him the work in the fort had been suspended, not because of the coming of peace, but because of inter-union strife among the workers, which seemed to satisfy him. But the papers certainly do not sound very cheerful even about world affairs. Do you listen to Wickham Steed on "World Affairs" on Fridays? We do quite often, but can't today, as our radio is in the repair-shop, and will not be back till to-morrow.

Despite the inter-communal and world situations, my own work of book-

~~xxx~~ book-selling has not be seriously retarded. I think I am ordinarily able to dispose of fewer Gospel portions than last year, but the demand for our literature as a whole has not fallen off. Just last month I had a chance to help some of our Christians from the Panjab. A Christian regiment, the 15th Panjabis, has come to town. Hearing of its arrival, I went up to see how I could be of service. A day or two later, I went again, taking with me S.R.Burgoyne, Bp.B.T.Badley's son-in-law, who happened to be with us at the time. That time I called on the British C.O., so it was fortunate I had a Britisher with me. Another British major is an earnest Christian fellow. The result has been that I have had invitations to speak twice to groups of the men, and we have sold some Rs.40 to Rs.50 worth of Bibles, Testaments, books and tracts among the men. They are still there, and said major is coming to have dinner with us next Sunday evening, after church.

I have been glad of this opportunity, for the communal trouble we have had, and the tension still existing, make it impossible to preaching evenings in the Chauk Church. We can't even hold our meetings outside just now, so my evangelist and I go either to the third-class waitingroom at the station, or to bazars outside city limits. Every way the Gospel is being proclaimed.

Next Sunday a.m. I am to speak at the Hindustani service in the Jamma church -- the Second Church.

Have you ever spoken from Prov.28:13? I had a letter recently from the daughter of the evangelistic worker at the Ag.Inst., in whom I am very much interested. She was telling of some meetings held at Rakha, Fatehgarh, where she is in school, and of what a blessing she had received from this text. It is certainly a good one.

Hoping to hear from you again before too long, and with best salams to you and yours from both of us,

Affectionately,

Ernest J.

Sept. 19th Jenks, Edna B.

'44-'47

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Spur;

I received one of the insurance checks this afternoon, the \$1,000 check. There are 2 more to come of course the \$500.00 check will pay the Funeral Bill. Now what I would like to know is, did I understand you to say it would be a good thing to put it in the Bank of interest?

I do hope you won't think I am helpless, But I want to do the right thing and I know you will tell me right. There is one check for \$500. and \$220.00 yet to come

I thank you Sincerely
Edna B. Jenks.

Jenney, W.S.

112 Sunset Ave
~~347 SEA BREEZE AVE.~~
PALM BEACH
FLA.

May 12th 1945

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My dear Mr. Speer.

I think you will agree that from every standpoint the Class owes a testimonial to dear Mudge. An outstanding character and the most devoted member to our class. How we can fill his place is a problem - an impossible one - as I look over the men who are left. Will you write one that we can send to his widow and publish in the Princetonian? You will agree that you are best fitted to do this and I hope it will be a labor of love. There is no use of my appointing a committee but you can add any names of classmates if you desire. Let me know.

Yours faithfully,

W.S. Jenney.

Mr. Robert Elliott Speer.



Tennings, Marian



Mr. Robert C. Teller

Rockledge

Lakeville

Conn.

Mary Teller returns to the day.

in a letter

Johnson, William H.

9 HAMILTON AVENUE
PRINCETON, N. J.

February 17, 1946

Dear Robert :

your letter is at hand and I realize how much trouble and inconvenience it is to you, living at a distance, to come down to Princeton for the numerous commencements and other duties. The other side of the story is that the younger men with the qualifications to take your place is not visible on the horizon, and that we need a steady hand on the wheel especially during Dr. Mackay's absence.

Your presence at the head of the table is of great value to the Seminary in many ways, and while your letter will be submitted to the Committee, I know that it will be their earnest desire and that of every member of the Board that you continue in your present position as long as it is possible.

You see that in this situation ~~that~~ it would not be fair to ask the chairman of the Committee which you appointed to present any other name, and you know that with high regard and affection I am

Always faithfully yours,

Wm H. Johnson

Dr. Robert E. Speer,
Rockledge,
Lakeville, Connecticut.

Jones, Edward H.

Just

The Presbyterian Church
Rev. Edward H. Jones, Minister
State College, Pa.

July 19, 1946

Dr. Robert E. Speer
Lakeville, Connecticut

Dear Dr. Speer:

Ever since I was a small child I had heard of you and remember vividly the first time I heard you speak, which was while I was a student at Occidental College, Los Angeles, California. Always your life, character and message have been a great inspiration to me. But never have you been more uplifting and inspiring than when you opened and expounded the Second Epistle of Peter to us at the Synod of Pennsylvania at Wilson College and Second Timothy at the Institute of Theology at Princeton this past week. As Christy Wilson so aptly expressed it, "Our hearts did burn within us" as you opened the Scriptures to us.

Huntingdon Presbytery is replete with stories and incidents from your life and it was rather interesting to hear you confirm the one of your summer preaching experience at Bellefonte and of the admonition of Dr. William Laurie. You will never know the tremendous influence which you have exerted upon thousands of young men like myself who have sat at your feet learning.

May God continue to richly bless you in your fruitful ministry.

Sincerely yours,

Edward H. Jones

Edward H. Jones

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Jones, Edward H.

The Presbyterian Church

Rev. Edward H. Jones, Minister

State College, Pa.

December 30, 1946

Dr. Robert E. Speer
Rockledge
Lakeville
Connecticut

Dear Dr. Speer:

Justice Norris C. Bakke, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Colorado and the Moderator of the Synod of Colorado, recently wrote me as the Chairman of the Pulpit Committee of the Montview Presbyterian Church of Denver to inquire if I would be interested in the pastorate of that church. My answer was in the affirmative and I have taken the liberty of giving your name as a reference as one who is acquainted with my ministry and could write a letter of recommendation in my behalf.

During my ministry of 15 years here in State College our church has more than doubled itself in membership and during this year of 1946, we have received 128 new members into the congregation so that at the present time we have a membership of 1,031 active, communicant members; we have doubled our financial giving; we have erected a new \$86,000 educational unit which is now paid for with the exception of a \$6,000 note, and we have raised our Restoration Fund quota of \$9,470.50 in full.

As you also know, I served for $2\frac{1}{2}$ years as a Chaplain in the Army Air Corps. Anything which you can do in my behalf with regard to the Montview Presbyterian Church will be deeply appreciated.

With best wishes to you and yours for a Happy and Prosperous New Year,

Very sincerely yours,

Edward H. Jones

Jones, E. Stanley

150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

August 25, 1944

My dear Robert,

You were very gracious in sending me that quotation. It is an excellent quotation and can be used.

It was a joy to run across you again and to find you mentally and spiritually and physically so vigorous. God's best be yours.

Gratefully yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. Stanley Jones".

E. Stanley Jones

Jones, W. A.

PRESBYTERY OF PITTSBURGH
WILLIAM. A. JONES, STATED CLERK
136 ORCHARD PLACE
PITTSBURGH (10) PA.

April 30th 1947

Dear Dr Speer-

Am glad you wrote me about Dr Burtt. Am sorry to tell you the truth as I get it from reliable sources. We have had a good committee of Presbytery looking into his case for some time, and every step they have been taking has been in the interest of the church with every precaution not to harm or hurt him. He has a very wide propaganda on just now in such letters as was sent to you. I have seen several of them including one he sent to Dr Macartney. The tenor of these letters is to discredit the Presbytery in the action they were forced to take to save the church.

A member of the committee told me last evening ^{they had} ~~had been~~ omitted ^{nothing} in trying to relocate Dr Burtt and in looking after his personal interests. He said that the salary was still being paid, and that the congregation has appropriated an extra \$100 to assist him in case he had to move.

Our committee is keeping close to the situation and we will see to it that he does not suffer in any way. He is a very hard man to deal with. He has had much money trouble in his present field as in former fields. He just would not pay his bills until he was forced to, yet he had a very good salary. I do not see any future for him in the church as he is not in any condition to take up work at present. He is a brother, and I can assure that our Presbytery will not see him suffer. We regret that he is giving such unnecessary publicity to his trouble.

Cordially yours,

W. A. Jones

124 E. Elmwood Ave.,
Falconer, N. Y.
April 16-1942

Dr. Robert E. Speer,
Lakeville, Conn.

My dear Dr. Speer: -

"All hail the power of Jesus Name".

I have just returned from "The Mause" in Wilkinsburg, Pa. where resides Dr. Percy E. Burt, one of God's good ministers of Jesus Christ, Mrs. Burt, his dear wife, and Robert E. Speer Burt. This boy told me in a trembling voice and with tears restrained but nevertheless trickling down his cheeks, that he wanted to be a minister like his father.

Dr. Burt led me to a picture on the wall in his home and said "Behold this noble face." "This is one of the greatest Christians of our modern age."

I too have listened with rapt attention while you delivered that great oration (The reclamation of the Desert.)

My object in view, for I am a perfect stranger to you, is to ask a great favor. If any one task in all of your great labors has caused you to call on God for divine assistance in time of need, please make Dr. Burt a special object of prayer. To have some trusted friend - to help hold up his arms in this crucial hour - would indeed give him a new lease on life. Whoever should journey to his place of residence would not recognize this dwelling place as a Presbyterian Mause.

Dr Burt (on my taking leave stood before me and asked)

"Do you suppose the people would be conscious of what I am doing - if I stood again before them to preach?" In vain effort he was attempting to control such trembling arms as would cause you to cry in sympathy.

Dr. Speer - Rev. Burt is afflicted with the very same disease that took Charles Mayo - the great Physician - from his unique field of labor.

Nothing that I have said has been exaggerated, and I wonder if at times they have enough to eat. Some of the money poured into this channel would undoubtedly do a world of good.

If it were possible that he could be elected Minister Emeritus of the Sharon, Pennsylvania Presbyterian Church - I know no more beautiful Christian act could be bestowed upon him.

He is worthy, (for he hath built them a Church.)

You do not have a greater friend than Dr. Burt.

Very sincerely your Brother in Christ.

M. J. Harding.

Dr. Burt's address is -

Dr. P. E. Burt

W^m Penn Hqy. and Beulah Rd.

Pittsburgh (21)

Pennsylvania.

To Dr. Robert E. Speer.

Kantner, Wayne O.
April 12, 1944.



HENRY J. WESELOH
Managing Director

Hotel SHAWNEE Springfield, Ohio

— Winter Trees —

Like ships whose decks
Have been stript for battle,
So the winter trees
Lift their bare branches unto heaven,
And stand like silent sentinels
Pointing upward.

Even so the souls of men are bared,
And stripped of non-essential things,
That they may send their roots
Down deep into th' eternal,
And there draw strength from God.

Wayne O. Kantner
Siffin, Ohio.

To Dr. Robert E. Speer.

April 12, 1944



HENRY J. WESELOH
Managing Director

Hotel **SHAWNEE** Springfield, Ohio

- Galilee -

The ceaseless lapping of the waves upon the shore,
Bore witness unto God who is for evermore.
They sang of days now gone, that nevermore will be;
They spoke of days to come and of eternity.
The song they sang stilled passions in the hearts of men
As Jesus spoke and drew them back to God again.

Wayne O. Kantner
Siffin, Ohio

TELEPHONE, CHELSEA 2-3230
OUT OF OFFICE HOURS
CHELSEA 2-3234

Kellersberger, Eugene R.

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September 28, 1945.

Dr. Robert E. Speer,
Rockledge,
Lakeville, Conn.

Dear Dr. Speer:

Through the courtesy of Dr. McConaughy I am privileged to thank you for your love gift for our great work. We know that you have many demands upon your time and interest. Therefore this thought of the work for those with leprosy is doubly appreciated by us. I consider it one of the most conscientious and deepest expressions of the love of Christ for the world, and we must follow in His footsteps.

You will see from the copy of letter to Dr. McConaughy my appreciation of what you have meant to me in my life. At the Foreign Missions Conference in Chicago I felt that your devotional messages were such a blessing that I took notes upon them, which I still have.

May God's richest blessings continue upon you.

Sincerely yours,

Eugene R. Kellersberger
Eugene R. Kellersberger, M. D.

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P. S. You have already received the provisional copy of the program of our annual meeting on October 18 and 19. It would be a great honor to us if you could attend.

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September 28, 1945.

Dr. David McConaughy,
834 Antonette Ave.,
Winter Park, Florida.

Dear Dr. McConaughy:

Your good letter received here on the 21st with the contribution from Dr. Robert E. Speer is before me with the receipt for Dr. Speer. I should have answer your letter before, but you know that this time of the year is a very full one for our kind of work. In addition, we have had as guests the Millers, the beloved secretaries of the Mission to Lepers, London. This is their first visit to America, and we rejoice that they are spending six weeks with us and our Canadian brethren. So I am sure you will pardon this delay.

As a comparatively new worker ^{the} with Mission, after 25 years in Africa, it has not yet been my privilege to know you personally, but I know much about your splendid help through our beloved "Uncle Will". I hope some day to meet you. Perhaps you have met my dear wife, since she has spoken twice for the Florida Chain of Missions.

I am deeply interested in your reference to Dr. Speer as well as the gift from him that has come through you. Dr. Speer has had a large influence in my life. When I was a student at the University of Texas in '10, 300 of us were on a special train to the great Convention at Rochester, New York, where Dr. Speer, Dr. Mott, Dr. Zwemer and Dr. Bryce of England were outstanding never-to-be-forgotten speakers. In '16 I went to Africa, and now God has brought me back to this great work. Since my return to America I have heard Dr. Speer a number of times, and have enjoyed his deeply spiritual messages.

I wish you could be with us at our annual meeting October 18 and 19 when the Millers will be our honored guests. We may be in Florida for several weeks of rest this winter, and we would be delighted if we could get in touch with you.

Sincerely your friend,

Eugene R. Kellersberger
Eugene R. Kellersberger, M. D.

erk hr

P.S. I am returning Dr. Speer's letter to you and thank you for confiding it to my hands.

Kelly, John B.



Georgetown Presbyterian Church

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June 9 1944.

Dr. Robert E. Speer

Lakeville, Conn.

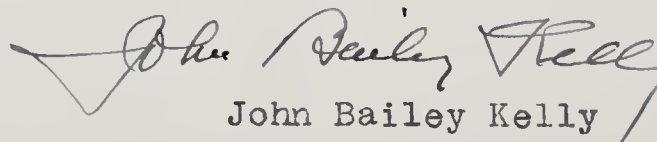
Dear Dr. Speer;

You may remember the Kelly who was in charge of Missionary Education at 156 a few years ago. After serving a term as a College president I escaped back into the pastorate where I am more than happy.

I am looking for a young woman assistant for next year as a Director of Religious Education, to strengthen our work with young people. She should have in addition to a "know-how", a personality that is attractive to youth and a spirit of enthusiasm and leadership. I am in correspondence with Mrs. Earl O. Pearman who is now in a similar position in the Congregational Church in North Adams, Mass. She seems to have many of the qualifications we are seeking though I have not interviewed her yet. She gives you as a reference and I am venturing to ask that you will write me and tell me what you think of her and of her capacity to do this kind of work in a conservative old church that needs a little of the juice of life.

I trust you are well, and I am sure that you are busy. You always have been since I first knew you in my undergraduate days at Princeton, many, many long years ago.

Cordially yours,


John Bailey Kelly

Kelso, Nellie

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Springfield, Illinois, March 31, 1944

Mr. Robert E. Speer
C/o The Methodist Publishing House
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

A relative of mine has called my attention to your article about David Kelso in the March 9th issue of The Christian Advocate and we were much interested in it. I believe David Kelso to have been probably a great uncle of my father, who was born at Rising Sun, Ind. I am quite sure of his being a relative but am not sure of the relationship.

I wonder if you can give me any information about his family, the name of his father and any brothers and sisters he may have had. A relative of ours has written a very fine history of the family, as yet unpublished, which history goes back to the first king of Scotland, called Calso. It appears to me that your story would be quite worth including in this history if we can exactly locate him as to his relationships. It is quite an interesting story no matter who he was. We seem to remember to have heard my father tell something of the kind once. My father had an Uncle Dan Kelso who was a member of the first Indiana state legislature, and he, I believe, was in the Mexican War.

Shall be very pleased to hear from you if you can give me any information along this line.

Very truly yours

(Miss) Nellie Kelso
225 E. Jackson St.

Kendall, David O.

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THE SOUTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
IN GREENBURGH
DOBBS FERRY, NEW YORK

May 23, 1947

Dr. Robert E. Speer
Rock Ledge
Lakeville, Conn.

Dear Dr. Speer:

I look back to last evening and likely shall continue to do so, thinking of it as one of the great and memorable experiences of the people of this church. We can never tell you how grateful we are to you and how grateful we are to God for the help that you and your message and your life gives unto us all.

Enclosed is a small token of our appreciation.

Very sincerely,

David O. Kendall

Kerr, Howard I.

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The Study
Wednesday
March 6th
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Phone 1095

J. N. WILLIAMS, Treasurer
908 Pratt
Phone 882-J

My dear Dr Speer;


This is it! The note of appreciation which you heard authorized at the Faith and Life Seminar at Athens the other day. That is the "official" thank you note - which can but reiterate and underscore what you heard over and over again and could see and feel for yourself - the deep appreciation we all have for your generous and gracious service to us - in ways of Inspiration encouragement and blessed Christian Fellowship. I have attended a good many of these Seminars and I think this was one of the very best. And we all know that you and your service to us very largely made it so! Thank you - thank you - again and again!

I trust you and Bill Shakespeare had a happy time together in the waiting room of that old ante-bellum station at Huntsville and that you reached your Eastern destinations without too great fatigue or inconvenience. I shall not cease to regret the inconvenience which was yours because of the "antics" of the old "Joe Wheeler" not to be thankful that they were only "antics" and not "catastrophes" - "Accidents!"

With deep personal appreciation and all good wishes to you ever -

I am

Cordially and Fraternally Yours


Howard I. Kerr

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HUGH THOMSON KERR

June 26, 1945

My dear Robert:

I want to thank you from my heart for the very gracious letter that came to me through the committee which prepared, on behalf of the Presbytery, the testimonial luncheon in connection with my resignation from the Shadyside Presbyterian Church. It did me good to read it and I will keep it as a token of your friendship to be read in the "latter days."

Very sincerely yours,

Buddy
May I most enthusiastically thank you for your kindness in coming Dr. Robert E. Speer to my party & for your Rockledge Lakeville, Conn. wonderful tribute which was too good for me
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A greeting to you from Japan

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Mr. Robert E. Speer

Lakeville,

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Am here for a short visit
from Guam. Flew to GA
Tokyo and have come
400 miles inland by
Japanese trains. No
troops here. A very
interesting experience.

My sincere good wishes
to you and Mrs Speer.

Made in Japan

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My dear Doctor Speer:

As chairman of the Program Committee in behalf of the Evangelical Fellowship of Northern California, I want to express to you our deep appreciation for the very significant contribution you made to all who were in attendance. Your fine spirit and your thought-provoking messages were deeply appreciated by all.

Thank you most kindly.

Sincerely yours,

REK:fm

R. V. LANCASTER
Minister

LANCASTER, R. V.

EDWARD H. CANN
Treasurer

The Presbyterian Church

Fredericksburg, Virginia

March - 18, 1947.

Dear Doctor Speer..

I thank you deeply for your note that came this morning, and say 'Amen' to all that you say about our week together.

We shall always be deeply grateful to you. Nothing would suit me better than that in the providence of God we might live another one of those weeks next year.

I shall enclose a Cullotia of last Sunday with reference marked.

Please give our best regard to Mrs. Speer.

With every good wish.

R. V. Lancaster.

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The Presbyterian Church
Frederickburg, Virginia

June 20, 1947.

Dear Dr. Speer:-

This note may have something of the idea back of Longfellow's 'shooting an arrow into the air'.

For the last day or two I have wondered if you would not care to throw in an oar once at least for the sake of the proposed union of our two churches. Not that from the standpoint of the church in the U.S.A. is there any particular challenge for an exertion of this sort on your part. But from the standpoint of us people down here a forceful presentation of the issue would be a real service for us.

If you feel any inclination to work up the matter I would love to have you speak in our church here on the issue. And I would have your sermon published, let us, say, in the Presbyterian Outlook, our Church paper published in Richmond, which is exceedingly favorable to the idea of re-union. *Or the Daily Times-Dispatch.*

Week before last I spent five days at the meeting of our Assembly at Montreat as a representative. It amazed me to see ~~what~~ what avid interest and I might even say pugnacity the issue has awakened in the minds of our men. I was told that it was an issue in the selection of a moderator. (The the liberals won on that). On ^{the} floor of the Assembly it seemed as tho the 'cats' and the 'dogs' were eternally watching one another. I thought it even entered into the argument for sending the issue of our continuing membership in the Federal Council down to the Presbyteries. Personally the plan had been to me a normal, reasonable and delightful achievement. But down there I met men who went at it as tho the whole issue of the Civil War were being brought to life. It seemed to me as tho the Church would ^{be} stirred to its depths by the time we come to the 1948 Assembly. ¹

I know the thoroughness of your handling all of these problems, and the clarity of your thought. Do you not think it might be worth your while to make one deliverance on the issue to help us out. Perhaps you could fit in one Sunday morning this summer, on your way to or from Massennette or some other conference. I am going to try to run up to Princeton for the week of your work there on the Acts.

With deepest esteem and affection, as ever,

R. V. Lancaster
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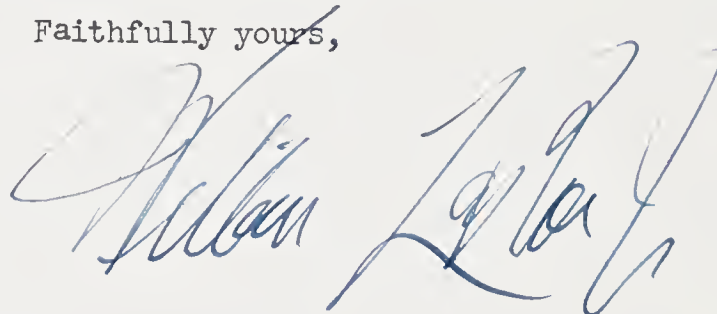
June 5, 1947

My dear Dr. Speer:

My heart is warmed by your very cordial message of congratulations. The experience in Grand Rapids was thrilling. The general feeling was that there never had been an Assembly with a finer spirit.

This is a tough job for a layman. I can measure up to it only if sustained by the prayers of my friends and by their loyalty to Jesus Christ. A letter from you has special weight and I assure you that it will give me strength through the years.

Faithfully yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Wilbur LaRoe, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Dr. Robert E. Speer
Lakeville, Connecticut

Latourette, Kenneth

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KENNETH SCOTT LATOURETTE
PROFESSOR OF MISSIONS AND ORIENTAL HISTORY

409 PROSPECT STREET, NEW HAVEN, CONN.

March 23, 1944

My dear Robert:

I have checked with the University Secretary's office on the inquiry which is in your letter of March 16. They tell me that Timothy Dwight the younger, he who was the second president of Yale by that name, had a daughter who died in 1909 and one son, Winthrop Edwards Dwight, born on December 23, 1872, Yale B.A. 1893, Ph.D. 1895. He is now a partner in the law firm of Dwight and Scoville, 63 Wall Street, New York City.

I hope this gives you what you wish. If you need more, I shall be glad to try again.

I see from the Prayer Notes how much you continue to be on the road. I hope your schedule is giving you some time at Lakeville, and that the return of winter has not caught you short on fuel.

Always affectionately yours,

Kenneth

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OFFICE OF SECRETARY

September 7, 1945

Dr. Robert E. Speer
Rockledge
Lakeville, Conn.

My dear Dr. Speer:

The Executive Council in session today called to mind
that Monday, September 10th is your birthday.

In prayerful remembrance you were upon our hearts. I
was asked to send you, in behalf of the Council, our
heartfelt greetings.

Though there have been years since you led us in person
in our Council fellowship and service your spirit carries
on constantly in our deliberations and actions. More than
you will ever realize we have turned to your ideals and
policies in the furtherance of our work. You are very
much a part of us both collectively and individually.

The meeting of the Executive Council today was given over to
thanksgiving and prayerful thought and planning as we gathered
together for our first full session in the reality of the post
war period. We are preparing a statement for the churches
and the missions which you will receive in due time. As you
read it we trust you will find in it convictions in harmony with
yours as we press on in the development of the achievements of
the past and toward the promises of the future.

Each one of us wishes that he could see you this Monday to tell
you personally of our continuing devotion to you and gratitude
for you, and also to extend to you in an intimate way deep wishes for
a "Happy Birthday".

May God continue to bless you mightily.

With every good wish and with warm regards, I am

Sincerely,

Charles
Charles Tudor Leber

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Robert E. Speer,
Lakeville,
Conn.

Presbyterian Headquarters,
Witherspoon Bldg.,
Philadelphia,
Penn.

July 5, 1944.

Dr. Speer:

You will remember the incident of the Poet and his little poems so ably presented in a certain church some time ago... Who could get you to commit such an act?

The first time I met you was in the Hall of Philosophy at Chautauqua. Now you are 77 years of age.

Whither is the Church drifting? An Editor told me some time ago it had no right to use the name of Christ... However, his philosophy was too academic.

I sent the old copy to the paper at someone's request. There was no ulterior motive as its circulation is only 17000. I had not heard from them for two years and personally know no one in its employ.

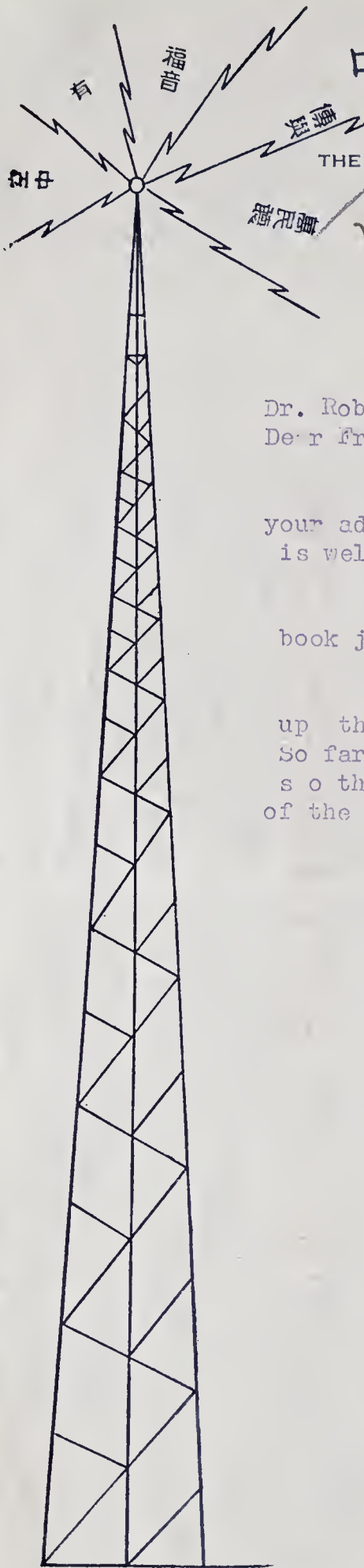
This is a world of confusion; a world whose concepts are immature, and out of which we must look for spiritual beauty and the remnants of culture which still persist.

May God show you the right way was your act in accordance with Christian ethics? Do not be cruel.

Hastily,
Geo. L. Lee.

"Finally, be strong in the Lord, and in the
strength of his might."

Lee, K.S.



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Dr. Robert Speer,
Dear Friend :

From Mr. Audland who is here just now that I learn your address. I am glad to tell you that every member of my family is well through the war. Thanks be to God for His mercy.

Under separate cover I am sending you a copy of my book just off the press, "The Secrets of China's Victory".

We have petitioned our Government for the right to set up thirty-six Christian broadcasting stations all over the land. So far the petition has not been granted and please do pray for us so that our people will have the opportunity to hear the name of the Lord.

May God bless you and your works for Him.

Yours in the Lord,

K.S.Lee



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Dear Mrs. Speer;

It was a pleasure to hear from you and I am only sorry that you felt you had to write two letters - as Elsie shared with me the one you wrote her.

Since I have made several other gifts to the Y. W. C. A. in its various departments I cannot make this one as much as I should like but it is a pleasure to enclose my check.

I saw your husband at Chicago a few weeks ago and was delighted to have a chance to hear him again. It seemed much like old times. No one ever influenced my life more than he did and I carry an undying sense of gratitude to him - as do such a multitude of others.

We are so glad that the Gripsholme did so well by you - and many other friends of ours.

Yours affectionately,

Henry
P.S. Have you seen Grace Boynton's Yearning Henry?

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October 16, 1945

Dr. Robert E. Speer
Rockledge
Lakeville, Connecticut

My dear Dr. Speer:

I greatly appreciate your letter in response to mine concerning the interdenominational building.

I have talked with Mr. Ealy who remembers the project but cannot recall any of the data. Presumably it was in Mr. Marling's files and after his death they were destroyed.

Apparently we shall have to start afresh with any plans of that sort. I am sure you feel as I do that it would be a great achievement and it would have psychological and spiritual effects which are hard to achieve apart from a common center.

Building costs are likely to be high for some time and the sale prices which could be obtained for the old buildings would be low so that I am afraid it is an impossible thing to pull off. Nevertheless it is worth investigating.

I hope all goes well with Mrs. Speer and yourself. If Elsie knew I was writing this she would want to join with me in sending affectionate greetings.

Yours ever,

Henry

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Leitch, Martha B.



"I will mention the loving kindness
of the Lord."

Isa. 63:7

Tuesday morning
July 17, 1945

Dear Dr. Speer,

My Aunt Louise Philips has
spoken of you so many times.
I am her niece from Denver. It is
always a privilege when I can
spend my summer with her.

Eight weeks ago Sunday, May
the twentieth, Aunt Louise was
coming home from an afternoon
Pentecostal Service when two dogs
rushed at her. She had only her
pocketbook with which to ward them
off. They knocked her down - then
forgetting her ran on away - but
the mischief was done.

She was brought first to her
home by nearby residents, then

an ambulance was called to take her to the General Hospital. Xrays showed that the hip was broken-shattered. The dear little darling looks like a wee caged bird. She has endured a great deal of pain. She says that she can more nearly sympathize with you and all others who have had to endure like experiences. She says that just one week is a liberal education.

Both legs are in casts which are fastened to boards at the heels to keep the body immovable from the hips down. Of course her age, eighty-seven, and frail little body will make it more difficult for her. Still she has an inner strength and indomitable will that help her to meet and overcome most everything. To me she has always been a marvel.

As I say the doctors and all informants are about as "evasive as fleas" yet I think that she is coming along very well. The xray at the fifth week showed the knitting had started. They turn her over each day to rest her back. This is painful and very uncomfortable - during the last two weeks they have turned her twice each day.

Three weeks ago I was able to locate an air-cushion which has eased the situation so much. Yesterday they put extra weights on her leg. I know that it will be much more trying for her. We can only wonder and hope as to the final outcome.

Aunt Louise has not felt like doing any reading. That has been such a part of her life that that alone would tell me that she is most miserable. Her big interest is to hear all the news of

friends and loved ones that I can gather, I see her on each visiting day.

Already her influence is being felt. The nurses and patients that I contact all speak of how alert she is, how brave and sweet she is through it all. Bless her heart.

A twelve year old in for a hip operation has made rapid progress. Just to hear her talk and preform at first was a revelation to Aunt Louise. She said, "I did not know that America grew them that way." As soon as she was about in a wheel chair Auntie bid for her attention. They would chat. Now they have long talks each day and Bible lessons too. As I go into the ward you would not know her for the same child, a quiet helpful little lady.

She sends you her abiding love and hopes that each of you are well at this time.

Sincerely,

Martha B. Leitch

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(Leland) Dean

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 31, 1944.

My dear Robert

Our dear friend, Robt. McGowan is in the hospital for an indefinite period. He had a week or more of illness, influenza no doubt, He was out of the pulpit one Sunday on account of bad voice but tried to meet all other engagements. Two weeks ago he had a very serious heart attack - coronary condition is his trouble. He must remain at the hospital for some time for special treatment in any emergency. For several days he was under oxygen treatment and special care. No one, except Mrs. McGowan, may see him. All my messages have gone to him by mail or through Mrs. McGowan. You can understand how keen is his disappointment for he was so anxious to serve Westminster Church and help them to secure a pastor. The whole church has become greatly attached to Dr. McGowan. He was doing

for the Church a necessary service in
a time of special need. And he and
Mrs. McGregor have been very happy in
all their associations.

He has looked forward to meeting Dr. Coffin
Feb. 22nd, when the Moderator comes
for a dinner in his honor & the Moderator
Robert had much to do with the arrangement
and was expected to preside and
introduce his friend.

I trust you will understand what
all this means, anxiety and disappointment
to both Mrs. McGregor and Robert.

I want you to know about them.

With kind remembrances,

Yours affectionately

Wm.

1827 E St
Lincoln Neb.

Robt J. McGregor
Bryan Memorial Hospital
4848 Sumner St
Lincoln, Nebraska

Leland, Dean R.

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Lincoln, Mr. Mar 14, 1946.
(1827 E St)

My dear Robert:

My good mother is celebrating her ~~one~~ hundred birthday - April 7, 1946.

Born Apr 7, 1846 near Lockport she has lived this century in Western New York living.

Since my father's death in 1905 with my sister Mrs. Milton Smith in

Mayville, New York.

She knows your books and has always been interested in your work at Chautauque.

I am asking Three or Four
of my intimate friends

of courage and immunity.
William & Lambie, Samuel Hopkins
Adams - to send her a
message for that day
which means so much to
her. I would greatly
appreciate your thought of
my dear mother at this time.
She has been very deaf for many
years and ^{has} lives in an almost
silent world. but she has good
eyes and vision and memory
and has always enjoyed
the things of mind and spirit
Certain of your books have been
a daily help to me and to
her alike.

With love and my
affectionate remembrance

Address

Mrs. Amelia Van Slyke Leland, Bay View
Magville, N.Y.

Lester, John A.

NETHERBY FARM
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DOYLESTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

January 18. '44

Dear Robert:

I finished the reading of Theodore Parker a few days ago. It is a sprightly account of wonderfully active minds. What a ferment of controversy and what a range of intellects; and I was impressed too with the identity of some of the issues faced and fought for one hundred years ago, with those unsolved today.

I am most thankful to you
for sending me this engrossing book.

Letters from Jack report him
happy and, I think, very useful.
He has been training a unit of
50 men (30 ambulances), and is
now in Italy, impressed with its
beauty, and - more recently - with
its bitter weather.

They are looking forward to
seeing Betty and the babe here
in March, and are hoping that
Bill will be able to visit us too.

Our warm regards to all
of you

Your friend sincerely,
John A. Lester.

(Lester) John A.

Dec. 29, 1945

Turk Road, Doylestown, Pa.

Netherby Farm

Dear Robert:

It was a great pleasure to hear about your Christmas at home. I am reading with much interest the book on James Madison. It is well documented, well written, and a distinct credit to Rutgers.

I am glad that Bill has decided to take the position offered to him at Rutgers. It opens wide possibilities for a useful career; they are to my mind exciting and stimulating, and I think Bill is beginning to get a glimpse of them.

We attended together the luncheon

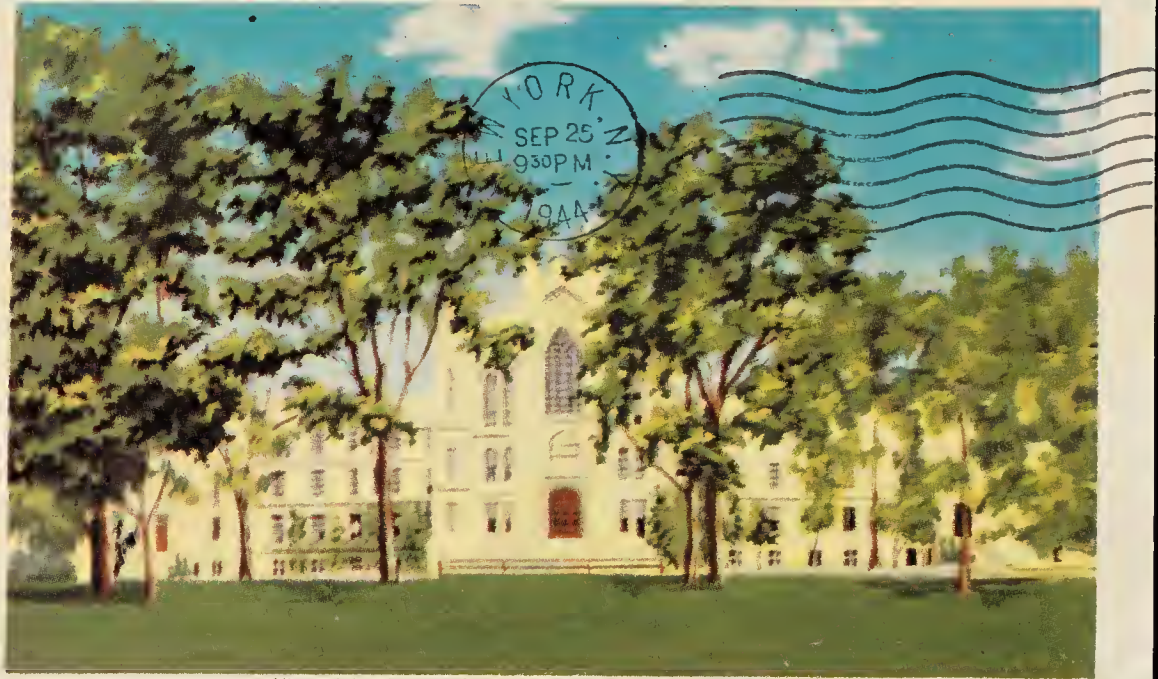
at the Princeton Club in Philadelphia
at which Dr Van Dusen was describing
and comparing the plans developed
at Harvard, Yale and Princeton for
their changed programmes of studies.
It was a most interesting afternoon,
and I think inspiring for anyone
beginning on a job like Bill's - Van
Dusen termed it an "educational conversion".

John is here working like mad on
an advanced course he will be giving
at Haverford for the second half year.
He will be there in early March, but
will be in New Brunswick, I hope,
when B, B, B² & C. arrive.

Our love to you all, and thanks
for the book

John

December 29, '45



View of Binghamton State Hospital, Binghamton, N. Y. — 6

Lewis, Cora E



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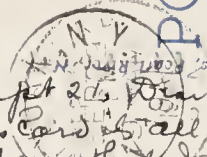
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Sept 20, Dear Dr. Spear - Please pardon this card it all I have here. I wanted to tell you that I still get enthusiastic letters about the biography Lu Tai-fu & I am sure it is a blessing to those who read it. I see that you are to be in Scranton for the spiritual meetings in November - wish I could be there. That is still my church, (of which I am a member & supported me all my 35 yrs. in China) I shall be praying for the meetings. I regret not having had the opportunity of seeing Margaret since she returned. My daughter & her husband, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Winn are in Guatemala in Miss. work now. I am headed for St. Petersburg, Fla. for the cool mos. to be with Dr. Spear, Miss Warr, & another older sister - quite a "home for the aged" and hope to be of use there this winter.

Most cordially, Cora E. Lewis.

EDUARD C. LINDEMAN

122 EAST 22ND STREET

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September 16, 1946

Dear Mr. Speer:

I was delighted and highly honored when asked recently to be chairman of the National Committee of Sponsors of the Workers Defense League's luncheon in honor of Dr. Frank P. Graham, President of the University of North Carolina.

The occasion is the presentation to Dr. Graham of the League's annual Clendenin award for distinguished service in behalf of labor's rights. The award, in the form of a plaque, will be given to Dr. Graham Saturday, November 2nd, 12:30 p.m., at a luncheon held in conjunction with the Tenth Anniversary Conference of the Workers Defense League, at the Henry Hudson Hotel in New York.

The award has gone in the past to Senator Robert M. La Follette, John F. Finerty, A. Philip Randolph, and Rev. James Myers.

Dr. Graham warmly merits the award - for more services to labor and all humanity than can be recorded here. He has been in the forefront of every struggle for labor's democratic rights in the South. Through years of active work with the National Sharecroppers Fund he has contributed much to the campaign to improve conditions of Negro and white sharecroppers and tenant farmers. He has opened the University of North Carolina to labor institutes, an innovation in the South. He has pioneered for adequate federal aid to education, so vital to the cause of equal justice to labor and minorities. He is a tower of strength to all concerned with the improvement of our democracy and opposed to every form of totalitarianism.

Thus I am sincerely happy to invite you to be one of the National Committee of Sponsors of this testimonial to Dr. Frank P. Graham. May I hear from you soon?

Sincerely yours,

Edward C. Lindeman

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Littell, Robert
BENEVOLENCE TREASURER
MORGAN H. THOMAS



Tioga Presbyterian Church

Tioga and Sixteenth Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

March 24, 1944

My dear Robert:-

The days go by so quickly. It is only a little while since we were looking forward to your coming, and now we are looking back with joy and with regret. Joy in the memory of your being here and great regret that more of our people did not respond to the urging and come out to profit by your ministry. I am confident that we never had such awakening messages as you brought to us during the four evenings that you were here.

I was talking with McConkey this week at the Board meeting. They are looking forward with anticipation to your being in Seattle during Holy Week. I know there is a blessing in store for them, and I wish for you the power of the Spirit not only for yourself but to awaken many to the opportunity and to the responsibility which your going will place upon them.

I am enclosing herein check for \$150. The reason for the delay is, as I said, the Church treasurer was in Florida and returned only this week.

Again thanking you and praying God's blessing upon your ministry, I am,

Sincerely and as ever,



Dr. Robert E. Speer,
Rockledge, Lakeville, Conn.

Little, Lacy

701.N.Greene Street
Greensboro
N.C.

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March 2, 1944

Dear Robert:-

It has been a long time since we have had an exchange of letters. I think the last direct news from you was through Dr. Charles Myers, who saw you at Montreat last summer. He had a good report to make. It was good to know that you were still going strong. ~~May the blessing of the Lord~~ abound to you more and more abundantly!

I am on the eve of making my third visit to Duke Hospital in search of renewed health and strength.

The last test of my bladder revealed a disorder which demanded attention. So, my Greensboro doctor has opened the way for me to have an examination, with the hope that the source of the trouble may be discovered and eliminated. I am sure that I may rely upon your sympathy and your prayers.

There is no predicting what may be done or the extent of my detention in the hospital.

My wife and I have enjoyed our residence in this city and our fellowship with the many good people who surround us on every side. I am thankful to report good health for her and abundant success in her service

of the King.

Praying for God's richest blessing upon you and the
members of your family,

Cordially yours,

Loyd L. Little

Little, Lacy

701 N. Greene Street
Greensboro
N.C.

June the 16th, 1944

Dear Robert:-

It has been a long time since your last letter to me was received and longer since ~~since~~ my last to you was written.

How fine it would be to sit by your side and pour out my heart to you!

These are trying times, when I am suffering daily from persistent headache and laid aside from what we usually call "active service". My hope is that many hearts are being reached by the printed page.

How are you, Dear Robert? I can not thing of you as being tired or stricked ^{en} with physical pain. My hope is to read from your reply to this that you are in full strength and free from pain. I also hope your family are all in the best of health.

My wife is blest with wonderful strength and is a constant source of strength to me.

I wonder if Montreat is to be blessed with your wonderful presence, this summer season? By reason of the altitude I must deny ^{myself} this privilege

Hoping for the best of good news from you,

Affectionately, Lacy

701 N. Greene Street
Greensboro
N.C.

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(Little) Lucy

August 28, 1944

Dear Robert:-

My wife and I have a custom of resting a while after lunch. This is followed by a season of reading of a varied kind.

Not so long ago, I celebrated my 76th birthday anniversary, ~~which~~ me-thinks is nor far removed from yours. Several books were donated to me on that occasion. one of these was entitled "Five Minutes a Day", written by "Dr. Robert E. Speer" and presented by my wife. This book takes the first place in our reading and is most highly enjoyed: it is next to listening to the spoken voice. Allow me to thank you for the ~~the~~ pleasure both my wife and I are getting out of it.

How we should have enjoyed being at Montreat during the Bible Conference this summer! Especially fine, we are sure, were those last two addresses on the closing day!

Enclosed, you will find a clipping giving the account of the passing of Dr. Egbert Smith, whom I think you must have met at one or more of the many mission conferences both of you have attended. The notice of his death may not have reached our papers in the North. He has done a wonderful work for the Master in our Homeland and throughout the World.

Dr. Myers could not be present at the funeral service: Dr. Myers' own brother, for many years a very useful missionary in Japan, is now very seriously ill in New York and will probably go to his reward in the near future.

My wife appreciated your kind thought of her. Both she and I extend cordial greetings to you and Mrs. Speer.

Affectionately,

Lacy

(Little) Lacy

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701 N. Greene Street
Greensboro
N.C.

September 17, 1944

Dear Robert:-

Your kind letter written under date of September 9 was gladly received and much enjoyed.

This is to advise you that I am ordering for ^{you} a copy of a book presented to me by my sister on my last birthday anniversary which I think you will find to be of interest.

You will see that this book was written by Dr. James L. Fowle, of Chattanooga, Tenn., whom you have probably met at summer conferences and on other occasions.

The book has been selected as the Home Missions study book by our Southern Presbyterian church and contains a vast amount of valuable and stimulating information. I am sending it to you by mail order from the Presbyterian Committee of Publication, Richmond, Virginia. Kindly advise me if it fails to reach you.

My hope is that you and Mrs. Speer may enjoy reading it together, as have my wife and I.

My wife unites with me in every good wish to you and your dear Lady.

Affectionately,

Lacy

Little, Nell

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701 N. Greene St.
Greensboro, N.C.

Aug. 27th 1945

Dear Dr. Speer,

Lacy and I have been thinking of you specially the last few days when you were giving your messages in Montreal and we have been wishing that we might be there and hear you.

He wants me to send you this line to tell you so, as he had had to give up writing for the most part, as he finds it increases the headaches. They keep right on continuously, he finds some

relief by lying down which he does most of the time. He tries to get out for a walk and tract distribution every day, is out on one of his rounds now.

We are enjoying your "Five Minutes a Day" very much as we read it together.

Rae likes to go over the old days at Princeton and often remarks on your kindness to him.

We hope you have had a pleasant summer with not too much work and that you and your loved ones are well.

With love and best wishes for you and yours from us both.

Most cordially

Wm L. Little.

Little, Nell

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701 N. Greene St.
Greensboro, N. C.
Jan. 31st 1946.

Dear Dr. Spurr,

Ever since receiving your attractive Christmas card I have wanted to write and thank you for us both. Yours is a lovely homey looking place and I am sure you must enjoy it thoroughly.

Now I have to tell you that Larry has been quite ill for a month. he is in a hospital here with three special nurses with what the doctors think is encephalitis following flu.

At first his temperature ran quite high but with injections of penicillin this has been brought down.

The doctors say that his heart and lung conditions are good and that he is holding his own, but he seems to be much the same from day to day. His mind is clear at times but wanders a good deal. He generally knows me which is a comfort. It has been a trying time.

I just want the Lord to do what would be best for him and pray he may be spared much suffering.

He loves and admires you so much I felt that I wanted you to know of his condition that we might be helped by your prayers.

I do hope that you and Mrs. Spur have kept well, it has been a rather trying winter this far.

With very kindest regards to you both

Cordially

Nell S. Little

P.S. I think it would please Mary much to know I had sent you this word.

N.L.

Little, Nell S.

701 N. Greene St.

Greensboro, N. C.

Jan. 16th 1947.

Dear Dr. Speer,

Your two letters were very much appreciated. It was good of you to write about Lacy as you did and he would love you even more for your kind words.

It is a month today since he left us and I am realizing more keenly every day what his passing is meaning to me. I can only be thankful for his joy and release from weariness and suffering.

God was good to us in so many ways during his long illness and His grace and strength will be

sufficient for the days ahead.

The service was a very sweet one Dr. P. F. Price and Dr. Lacy Muffett of China took part, it was nice to have them.

Dr. H. H. Hudson was here about ten days ago, he spoke to our women at the Auxiliary meeting. I told him of your mention of him in your letter.

Thanking you again for your letters and with kindest regards to you and Mrs. Speer.

Yours sincerely

Nell S. Little

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Litchard, Joan

East Marguand Hall
East Northfield, Mass.

April 25, 1946

Dear Dr. Speers,

As a senior at Northfield, I am writing an essay for a competitive prize on D.L. Moody. As I am writing on the phase, "The Lasting Effects of Moody's life", I wanted to know if you would be so kind as to write a few words in this respect so that I might have fresh proof and a new declaration of Moody's lasting life.

I realize that you are busy, but if you could spare the time to do this, it would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
Joan Litchard

Lloyd, Ralph Waldo

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MARYVILLE COLLEGE
MARYVILLE, TENNESSEE

RALPH WALDO LLOYD
PRESIDENT

March 8, 1946

Dr. Robert E. Speer
Lakeville
Connecticut

My dear Dr. Speer:

It was a genuine regret to me that I was not able to be present for your visit to the College or for your leadership of the Seminar in Knoxville. I was attending the meeting of the Western Section of the Alliance of Reformed Churches.

Your visit to Maryville and your address were impressive events for our people and they speak with gratitude concerning what you did. I want to thank you sincerely.

We usually attach a modest honorarium to this service and I hope you will accept the check which I am enclosing as a token of our appreciation.

You continue to perform a telling service as you carry a message to young people and old alike throughout our country. I hope we may have the privilege of having you here again some time in the future.

We had a visit from Dr. and Mrs. Henry Sloane Coffin a couple of weeks ago and they spoke affectionately concerning you and Mrs. Speer.

Cordially yours,



Ralph Waldo Lloyd

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Encl.

Loetscher, Lefferts A.

PRINCETON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

September 27, 1946.

Dr. Robert E. Speer,
Lakeville, Connecticut.

Dear Dr. Speer:

By American Railway Express, insured,
I have today returned the manuscripts which this
past summer you kindly lent me for use. In order
to save you the trouble of acknowledging them I
have instructed the express company to mail me
acknowledgment of their arrival.

I have deeply appreciated your gracious
helpfulness. The visit in your home was a delight
which I shall always remember, and the use of your
papers a privilege that has been extremely valuable
in the present study.

With very kind regards to you and
Mrs. Speer, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Lefferts A. Loetscher
Lefferts A. Loetscher.

Lorimer, M. W.

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Rm 209

New York City NY
1125 Grand Concourse
Aug 5 '46

Dr. Robert E. Speer

Dear Minister:

I was greatly
profited and enjoyed your prayer and
sermon yesterday at First Presbyterian
church. This is also to say that, as you
may not have counted it, Jesus in the 14th
15th, 16th + 17th of John calls God "Father" 45 times
I was impressed by the frequency of this
and counted it.

Fraternally,

MW Lorimer

You mentioned the frequency yesterday

Lotz, Verna

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THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
156 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

April 14, 1944

Dear Dr. Speer:

You see I get inside information on your plans via your requests for pictures !

I received a letter from my brother in Seattle, to whom I sent a card that you were to be there and since you said such nice things to him about me, I quote from his letter -

"I went to hear him last night and I want to say I heard one of the most remarkable sermons I ever heard. He surely is an entrancing personality. His address was on St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans and he brought out many startling things about St. Paul. I liked him for his modest and unassuming manner just as really great men most usually are."

With best wishes to you and Mrs. Speer, I am

Sincerely yours,

Verna Lotz
Mrs. Verna Lotz

Robert E. Speer
Lakeville
Conn.

Aug. 22, 1944.

Dear Dr. Speer,

It was indeed thoughtful of you to write me that beautiful little note, after receiving the minute on my retirement from the Rabha Girls' School. It made me very happy.

In spite of any previous disappointments, I have felt that it has been a very great privilege to have been allowed to invest the best part of my life in the lives of Christ's little ones at Rabha.

I am thankful for the many years, - about half my time I believe, when Miss Emily Forman and I were associated in the work of the school. You doubtless remember her name.

personality. She was a loyal friend, who cooperated so beautifully in whatever was undertaken for the best interests of the school.

It is a comfort to know that the ideals of the school are still being upheld, in matters financial, physical, educational and spiritual; for Miss McRobbie and Miss Doris Crawford seem to be doing an excellent piece of work at Ralchs.

Naturally, I still retain a deep interest in the school and try to assist from this end of the line, where it is possible.

Again thanking you for so kindly writing as you did, I am
With kind regards to you both,

Your sincere friend,
Mary Lovett.

Lovett, Mary

115 Hudson Ave.,
Wed Bank, N. J.
Dec. 27, 1944.

Dear Dr. Speer,

Thank you very
much indeed for giving me
one of the most-agreeable surprises
which fell to my lot this
Christmas.

In the first place,
I doubly appreciate your
kind gift, because I know
that your circle of friends is
too large for you to take time
to send a Christmas gift to
most of them.

The book on Gandhi
is most opportune and, naturally,
of great interest to those of us

You may be interested to know that my little
mother was 92 years old in October and that she
continued to crochet all day long.
be kept in war-time ignorance. We even
found him outspelling most of us in a
spelling match, - one of the various distractions
contrived to take our minds from the dangers
through which we were passing, day by day.

The book is, therefore, of great personal
interest to me, for several reasons and
I again thank you, Dr. Speer, for your kind
thought, in remembering me as you did.

Trusting that you and Mrs. Speer had
a very blessed time on Christmas - and that
you may fully regain your health, I am
Your sincere friend, Mary Lorett.

who have been in India
for many years, where Gandhi
has attracted attention. It
is valuable, also, in enabling
one to speak more intelligently,
when questioned about Gandhi.

I am also interested in this
book because we returned to
America, on the same boat, with
a Mr. Raman, who is, I believe
the author of the book. He was
connected with the Indian press
and worked in London, as well
as India. He was keen and
"up to the minute" on matters
of interest, quite upsetting the
ship's officers, for instance,
by plotting the position of our
ship, when ^{we} were supposed to

Lovett, Mary
2 Madison Ave.,
New York, N.Y.
Jan. 3. 1947

Dear Dr. Spier,

The arrival of your interesting gift gave me the joy of surprise and of anticipation, even before I opened the parcel on Christmas morning. I deeply appreciate your having remembered me this Christmas and thank you very, very much.

Ever since visiting Fatehpur Sikri, I have been fascinated about Indian history. So this illuminating life of Akbar well gave me much enjoyment, as I know from what I have already read in the book.

I had originally planned to send you a certain book, this year; but no reply has come from an order sent about Nov. 21st. The letter must have been lost in transit.

My sister and I are looking forward to a happy time in Miami, as guests of my brother, who leaves tomorrow. We expect to spend two weeks plus, the first part of February. I wish that you and Mrs. Spier were to enjoy the Florida sunshine this winter.

I hope that you had a blessed Christmas and that the New Year may be a happy one for both of you.

With kind regards, I am
Ever your sincere friend,
Mary Lovett

Lucas, Edmund

c/o Dr. R.H. Goheen

54 Morningside Drive

25, New York City

Sept. 7th 1946

Dear Dr. Speer,

We all join in sending you our love and greetings. Nancy and I brought baby Ewing home to live with Mrs Eleanor Ewing Jackson in Little Rock. We landed in San Francisco nearly two weeks ago, on Aug. 25th and were so delighted to find Bill (used to be called Ewing) and Jim & his wife on the dock.

Mother Ewing leaves on the 13th here. for Little Rock and we were all wondering whether anything would bring you to N. Y. during these days. It would give Mother E. so much real pleasure to see you again - not to speak of the rest of us!

Nancy and I plan to retire after one year's furlough as I shall be sixty five in Sept. '47.

With our love to yourself and Mrs Speer and hoping we may see you soon Yours affectionately
Edmund Lucas.

Lucas, Edmund D.

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October 25, 1946

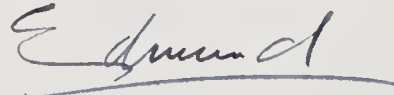
Dr. Robert E. Speer
Rockledge
Lakeville, Connecticut

Dear Dr. Speer:

Forgive my delay in answering your letter of September 11. It was a great pleasure to hear from you again and to know that you are so well and active. One would not expect anything else from you. I do hope that Nancy and I will be able to see you and Mrs. Speer before long and renew the very strong ties that have united us through the years. My father of course thought, as you know, that there was nobody quite like Robert E. Speer.

With warmest regards,

Yours affectionately,



E. D. Lucas
Acting Secretary

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REV. W. A. LYNCH

TELEPHONE 58-R

BRIDGEWATER, VA., Feb 20, 1947

Dear doctor Speer;

Thank you so much for referring to Dr. Edward Mack to answer some Bible questions for me. Dr. Mack sent me a splendid reply which greatly strengthened my faith.

and because of your kindness I shall listen to your messages with unusual interest when you come to Massanutta Springs next time.

During your lecture there last summer one of our (well Educated) young preachers (Methodist) said to me, "I like Dr. Speer's messages so well, He does something to me,"

In 1906 as a Randolph Macon student I attended the Student Volunteer Convention in Nashville Tenn. and heard you speak

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I later quoted from that message
at two public assemblies.
One was at an Episcopal Con-
vention held at Woodstock, Va.
I was also impressed with your
sermon on the importance of
the body last Summer at Wase-
schetta. I had never heard a
message just like it.

So you see you started influences
that have been in motion since
1906.

I think one of your surprises
in heaven will be to find out
how many people you influenced
when you knew nothing about it.

Thanking you again from the
bottom of my heart I remain
yours in Christ.

H. A. Lynch.

Member of the Methodist Va. Con-
ference,

P.S.,

In Statement no 4, which I quoted
from Mr. Roy Smith from Haggai
about the House of David

I should have used the
word "Zerubbabel" instead of David.

Haggai said "Zerubbabel" would
sit upon the throne of his
father.

However, this does not change
what Mr. Smith had in mind
about prophecy. That was never
fulfilled.

Mr. Mack answered this for me.

M. A. L.

Bible Errors.

Mentioned by Mr. Roy Smith

1. The Hebrew prophets had but one generation in mind when they spoke — the one of which they were a part. (Vol. 2, p. 3)
2. Zephaniah and Jeremiah were both mistaken in prophesying that Judah would be captured by the Scythians. Vol. 3 p. 23, 47, 48
3. Second Isaiah's predictions about Jerusalem were not all fulfilled. (V. 4:64)
4. Haggai's promise that David would sit upon his father's throne was not fulfilled. (V. 6 p. 11.)
5. No one knows who wrote the Gospel of John. (V. 11:10)
6. Dr. H. P. King Says:
Isaiah's prophecy that Hezekiah's sons would be taken into Babylonian captivity did not come true.

REV. W. A. LYNCH

TELEPHONE 58-R

BRIDGEWATER, VA.,

Feb 4, 1947

Dear doctor Speer:

For several years at the book store
at Mussumatta Springs where you
lecture there has been on sale a
set of books entitled "
"Know your Bible"
by Mr. Roy Smith.

In all there are 12 volumes @ 4 pages

Each. Reading these books has been a
great shock to my faith.

I am inclosing a copy of some
Errors in the Bible as quoted
in these books.

Having heard you over a period
of years I appeal to you to help
place my feet on solid ground.
If the Holy Spirit guided these
prophets and made Errors in doing
so, then the Bible writers are no
more reliable than secular historians.

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I believe Mr. Smith is mistaken
but I would like to have some
proof that he is mistaken.
Please help me.

W. A. Lynch
Retired Minister of Va. Methodist
Conference.